



**NORTH LINTHICUM
IMPROVEMENT AND PROTECTION ASSOCIATION, INC.**

**BYLAWS and
ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION**

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Bylaws Committee

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ARTICLE I – The Association

This Association shall be known as the "North Linthicum Improvement and Protection Association, Incorporated". (Hereinafter the "Association"). The name shall be changed only by majority vote at a general Membership meeting.

The Mission of the Association is to promote, maintain, protect and improve the general welfare and to advance the common interests of the residents, property and improvements of the Community (hereinafter the "Community") known as North Linthicum.

The Association shall be non-sectarian in nature; it shall neither promote nor discourage any exercise of religion, though it may participate with faith-based organizations in enterprises of a primarily secular nature. The Association shall neither engage in nor tolerate any practice of discrimination.

The Association shall not affiliate with any political party or organization, nor shall it promote any political ideology; however, the Executive Board may offer voting advice to the Membership whenever it determines that a particular vote may affect the interests of the Community.

ARTICLE II - Objectives

The objectives of this Association shall be:

- A. To promote transparent, coordinated action in all matters related to the development, improvement, and welfare of the North Linthicum Community.
- B. To encourage community involvement and cooperation in promoting public safety, crime prevention, and neighborhood well-being.
- C. To keep the community informed and to promote social activities that strengthen community involvement and neighborhood unity.
- D. To encourage compliance with applicable community rules, ordinances, and restrictions.

ARTICLE III – Members Section 1: Qualification for Membership

Any citizen of the United States who is at least 18 years of age and who owns residential or commercial property within the boundary lines of this Association, as set forth in Article IV, may apply for membership in this Association by submitting an application and twenty (20) dollars for a one (1) year membership.

Membership is by household; all adult members of a household may become Members upon a single payment of dues. Non-resident property owners whose names appear on the tax rolls shall be eligible for Membership. Renter's may become eligible for membership, but voting rights are withheld until the member has been in good standing with the association for a minimum of 1 year prior to the casting the vote.

All adult residents and/or owners of a Member household shall be entitled to the privileges of Membership, but no more than two Members from the same household may cast votes at any meeting. All votes must be cast in person; no proxy or absentee voting shall be permitted.

Dues amounts shall be set from time to time by the Executive Board of the Association. Dues changes shall be prominently reported in the Newsletter and shall not take effect before July 1 following the Executive Board's action.

Dues are non-refundable. Dues will not be pro-rated for partial-year memberships, except that new members who join the Association between April 1 and July 1 of any year shall be considered paid-up for the fiscal year that follows.

Members whose dues remain unpaid by October 1 shall have their voting rights suspended.

Members whose dues remain unpaid for a period of 12 months shall forfeit their Membership but may re-apply at any time as described in Section 1 above.

Section 2: Termination on Membership and Reinstatement

Any member who moves his or her residence beyond the boundaries as set forth in Article IV hereof shall automatically forfeit membership in this Association. Former members may be reinstated under the provisions of Article III, Section 1.

ARTICLE IV - Boundary Lines

The boundary lines for Association members shall comprise of the following description:

- On the North by the Patapsco River;
- On the West by Hammonds Ferry Road and Old Hammonds Ferry Road and including the properties on both sides thereof, extending from the Patapsco River to the Baltimore-Washington Parkway;
- On the South by the Baltimore-Washington Parkway from Hammonds Ferry Road to Interstate 695 and thence along Interstate 695 to Route 170 (Fort Meade Road);
- On the East by Fort Meade Road including only those properties on the West side of that Road, to the intersection of Fort Meade Road with Route 648 (Baltimore-Annapolis Boulevard) and thence northward along Baltimore-Annapolis Boulevard including those properties on both sides of the road, to the Patapsco River.

ARTICLE V - Meetings

Section 1: Annual Meeting

The Annual Meeting of this Association shall be held on the third Tuesday of June each year. Notice of the annual meeting shall be issued to all members no later than one (1) week prior to the date of the meeting.

Section 2: Regular Meetings

The regular meetings of this Association shall be held on the third Tuesday of each month, with the exception of the months of January, July, and August.

Section 3: Special Meetings

The President and Executive Board may call special meetings. Notice of special meetings shall be issued no later than one (1) week prior to the date of said meeting. Notices for special meetings shall state the purpose for which they are called. No other business shall be transacted. Notice will be issued:

- A. To Members who have attended at least two (2) General Membership Meetings within the past twelve (12) months;
- B. In accordance with Section 5 of this Article.

Section 4: Postponement of Meetings

- A. Regular Meetings: In the event that Anne Arundel County schools are closed, close early, or afterschool/evening activities are cancelled on the day of a regular meeting of this Association due to extreme weather conditions, or the Anne Arundel County Snow Emergency Plan is in effect at least two (2) hours in advance of a regular meeting, said

meeting shall be automatically postponed. The President may postpone or cancel a regular meeting due to any emergency situation.

- B. Annual Meeting:** The President may postpone the annual meeting if Anne Arundel County schools are closed, close early, or after-school/evening activities are cancelled on the day of a regular meeting of this Association due to extreme weather conditions or the Anne Arundel County Snow Emergency Plan is in effect at least two (2) hours in advance of the Annual Meeting. The annual meeting must be rescheduled for the same day and time in the following week, unless the situation which caused said postponement continues. In the event that the annual meeting needs to be further postponed, the President shall consult with the Executive Board and other Officers to reschedule said meeting.

Section 5: Notification to Membership

When notification to membership is required, such notification will be made by one or more of the following methods: U.S. Mail, email, local media, NLIA newsletter, Facebook, NLIA website or phone, as deemed reasonable by the President.

ARTICLE VI – Executive Board

Section 1: Members

The Executive Board shall consist of the elected Officers of the Association and all Committee Chairs.

Section 2: Attendance Requirements

Board Members are required to attend a minimum of sixty (60%) percent of the Executive Board meetings and a minimum of the 4 (four) General Membership meetings during each calendar year of their term in office and must notify the President in advance if they will be absent.

Section 3: Responsibilities

The affairs and business of this Association shall be managed by the Executive Board. The Board shall review issues related to policy and to the commitment of the Association's resources and authority and shall make recommendations to the membership before such issues are acted upon.

Section 4: Monthly Meetings

The Executive Board may meet at least three (3) times a year at a time scheduled by the President. A majority of the Executive Board shall constitute a quorum at the board meetings.

Section 5: Special Meetings

Special meetings of the Executive Board shall be called by the President whenever necessary or upon the request of two (2) Board members. If an issue requiring the immediate attention of the Executive Board shall arise, and if there is not sufficient time for the Board to meet and deliberate, the President shall poll all Board members and proceed according to the wishes of the majority.

Section 6: Removal of Board Members

In the event that a Board Member is not fulfilling his or her duties as described in Article VI, Sections 1 and 2, the Executive Board can recommend that he or she be removed from office. He or she will be removed by a majority vote of the General Membership who are eligible to vote and present at the meeting.

Section 7: Nominating Committee

The Executive Board shall serve as the Nominating Committee and shall, prior to the May meeting each year, submit a slate of nominations for President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer for the following fiscal year term.

Section 8: Vacancies

The President shall, with the advice and consent of the Executive Board, make interim appointments to fill vacancies on the Board to include Officers and Committee Chairs.

ARTICLE VII - Officers

Section 1: The Officers of this Association shall be as follows:

A: President

The President shall be charged with the duties of supervising all of its functions, subject to the orders of the Executive Board. The President shall preside at all meetings of this Association and shall act as Chairman of the Executive Board. The President shall also be an ex-officio member of all committees of this Association.

The President shall not vote at Executive Board or General Membership meetings except to break a tie. The President shall appoint Committees as necessary and shall appoint and remove the Chairs of the Committees. The President shall delegate Members or Officers to represent the Association in outside activities or meetings of other organizations. The President or his designee shall represent the Association in any public hearings or other official events which may be related to the Mission of the Association.

There shall be no limit to the number of terms a President may serve.

B: Vice President

In the absence of the President, or the inability of the President to act, the Vice President shall assume the duties of President. In the event of a sitting President's death, disability or resignation, the Vice President shall become President and serve out the remaining term of office. They shall nominate a successor Vice President, said nomination to be confirmed by a majority of voting members present at the next General Membership meeting.

The Vice President shall perform such other functions and duties as the President and the Executive Board may from time to time assign.

C: Secretary

The Secretary shall issue notices and keep the minutes of all meetings of this Association, including Board meetings; shall be custodian of the records; shall keep the roll of the members; and shall perform such duties as may from time to time be assigned by the President or the Executive Board.

At each meeting, the Secretary shall offer for amendment, addition, or approval the Minutes of the previous meeting. Once approved, all Minutes become part of the permanent records of the Association; the Secretary shall be custodian of all such records and shall upon adequate notice (of at least 2 weeks) make them available for inspection by any paid-up Member at any General Membership meeting.

The Secretary shall conduct Correspondence on behalf of the Association, at the direction of the President and shall be responsible for all correspondence of the Association including mail, email, Facebook or other electronic media communication. In

the absence of a Newsletter Committee or Chair, the Secretary shall arrange for publication and mailing of the Newsletter.

The Secretary shall be custodian of the official mailing list of the Association. The mailing list may not be sold, rented, licensed or used in any fashion except for the official business of the Association or as authorized by the Executive Board.

The Secretary shall, after the Vice President, be next in line of succession to the Presidency, and shall preside in the absence of both the President and Vice President

D: Treasurer

The Treasurer shall be custodian of all monies and other valuables the Association may possess; shall receive all monies from the Secretary; shall pay all vouchers signed by the President; shall report and explain monthly expenditures at the regular meetings; and shall make an annual report at the June Executive Board meeting, or whenever called to do so by the President. The Treasurer shall deposit all money and valuables of the Association in a responsible bank or banks which shall be approved by the Executive Board.

The Treasurer shall serve as custodian of all assets owned thereby; and shall file all tax forms and returns required by law.

Records maintained by the Treasurer shall upon adequate notice (at least 2 weeks) be available for examination by any paid-up Member at any General Membership meeting.

The Treasurer shall at each meeting of the Executive Board or the General Membership, present a summary of the Association's financial status, income and expenses for the time period since the last such report. Such reports shall become part of the Official Minutes of the Association.

Disbursements - All disbursements shall be made by check, signed by two (2) authorized Officers, upon the authority shown by a voucher or receipt signed by the President. Any disputed amount shall be referred to the Executive Board.

Section 2: Liability Insurance & Background Checks - All Board members shall be insured in an amount to be determined by the Executive Board and the premium on the insurance shall be paid by the Association. No person shall be eligible to serve on the Board if they have been convicted of a felony. Each candidate shall certify, in writing, that they have not been convicted of a felony as a condition of nomination or election to the Board

Section 3: Officer Requirements

Officers are required to attend a minimum of seventy (70%) percent of the Executive Board meetings and at least (sixty) 60% of the General Membership meetings during each calendar year of their term in office and must notify the President in advance if they will be absent. No Member shall be elected as an officer who does not both reside in and own property in the Community.

Section 4: Removal of Officers

In the event that an Officer is not fulfilling his or her duties as described in Article VII, or whom is absent from three (3) consecutive meetings during the calendar year, the Executive Board can recommend that he or she be removed from office. He or she will be removed by a majority vote of the General Membership who are eligible to vote and present at the meeting.

Section 5: Compensation

No Officer or Committee Chair shall be entitled to any compensation except reimbursement for expenses.

Section 6: Indemnification

The Association shall indemnify and defend its Officers against all claims and lawsuits arising from the performance of their official duties

ARTICLE VIII - Committees

Section 1:

The President shall designate and appoint other committees as may be necessary and proper for the organization of the activities of this Association. The President shall appoint and remove all committee chairpersons.

ARTICLE IX - Election of Officers and Board Members

Section 1: Election

The Officers and Board Members shall be elected at the annual meeting of this Association as set forth in this article. All candidates for office must be nominated by the Executive Board and those nominations will be announced at the General Membership Meeting held in May. Any member in good standing of this Association may be nominated after obtaining their permission. In June of every year, election of all Officers shall take place and said Officers shall serve until the next duly scheduled election of Officers.

Section 2: Eligibility to Vote

To be eligible to vote in the election of Officers and Board Members, a member's attendance must have been recorded at a minimum of three (3) regular meetings in the previous twelve (12) months.

Section 3: Balloting (Election of Officers)

All Officers must be elected in a secret ballot by a majority vote of the eligible members present and voting at the annual meeting. In the event that candidates for one or more offices are unopposed, the Secretary shall cast the unanimous vote for said candidates.

Section 4: Vacancies

- A. Should any vacancies for elected Officers or Board Members occur in mid-term, such vacancies shall be filled by appointment by the President. Nominations shall be accepted at the regular meeting immediately after the vacancy occurs. The floor will also be open to nominations prior to balloting at the next regular meeting.
- B. In the event that there is a vacancy for an elected office because there were no candidates, the President may appoint a member to serve in an acting capacity.
- C. The appointee need not meet the qualifications set forth in Article IX, Section 5.

Section 5: Qualifications of Candidates:

A. Qualifications for Board Members

- No active member shall be eligible to hold office in this Association unless he or she has
- a. been a member in good standing for at least one (1) years, and
 - b. attended at least two (2) regular meetings in the previous twelve (12) months, and

- c. Either served as a volunteer at an event held by the Association or chaired a committee of this Association.

B. Qualifications for Officers

1. Qualifications for President

No active member shall be eligible to hold office in this Association unless he or she has

- a. served as an Officer or NLIA Board Member in the past,
- b. been a member in good standing for at least two (2) years,
- c. attended at least four (4) regular meetings in the previous twelve (12) months, and
- d. Either served as a volunteer at an event held by the Association or chaired a committee of this Association.

2. Qualifications for Vice President

No active member shall be eligible to hold office in this Association unless he or she has

- a. been a member in good standing for at least one (1) year,
- b. attended at least four (4) regular meetings in the previous twelve (12) months and
- c. Either served as a volunteer at an event held by the Association or chaired a committee of this Association.

3. Qualifications for Secretary

No active member shall be eligible to hold office in this Association unless he or she has

- a. been a member in good standing for at least one (1) years,
- b. attended at least four (4) regular meetings in the previous twelve (12) months, and
- c. Either served as a volunteer at an event held by the Association or chaired a committee of this Association.

4. Qualifications for Treasurer

No active member shall be eligible to hold office in this Association unless he or she has

- a. served as an Officer or NLIA Board Member in the past,
- b. been a member in good standing for at least one (1) years,
- c. attended at least four (4) regular meetings in the previous twelve (12) months, and
- d. Either served as a volunteer at an event held by the Association or chaired a committee of this Association.

ARTICLE X - Financials

The Association shall adopt a budget for each year prior to the first meeting in September. The budget shall be approved by a majority vote of the members present and voting.

Section 2: Banking Accounts

1: Capital Fund

A Savings Account, which shall contain funds derived from sources other than dues payments, and which shall be used only for Capital Expenses. Capital expenses include, but are not limited to: purchase of land, improvements, buildings, or equipment; legal fees; and fund-raising, development or recruitment expenses.

2: General Fund

A Checking Account, which shall contain funds generated by dues payments, income from investments, and other sources as determined by the Executive Board. Monies in the Checking Account shall be used for current operating expenses as determined and authorized by the Executive Board.

3: Special Projects and Funds

The Treasurer, with the approval of the Executive Board shall open a new checking or savings account for use on Special Projects or causes. These funds will be kept separate from any other funds that the association possesses and will only be used for the initial purpose of the funds. Any changes in the fund or its use must be approved by the Executive Board. All funds will be subject to the laws and regulations set forth by the State of Maryland.

4: Banking Restrictions & Procedures

Both the Capital Fund and the General Fund shall be kept in interest-bearing accounts, and the interest shall become part of the General Fund.

The Treasurer shall, upon determination by the Executive Board that a surplus exists in the General Fund, transfer monies from the General Fund to the Capital Fund as directed by the Executive Board

Upon determination by the Executive Board of a shortfall in operating funds, the Treasurer shall transfer monies from the Capital Fund to the General Fund to cover the shortfall, but any such transfers shall be considered interest-free loans and must be repaid as soon as the General Fund is replenished by dues payments or other income.

No Officer or Board Member shall apply for or accept credit in the name of the Association from any financial institution unless authorized by a majority vote at a General Membership meeting.

All checks, withdrawals or transfers from either account shall require the signature of the Treasurer and one other Officer of the Association.

The Association shall be bound by, and the Treasurer shall ensure compliance with, the following regulations:

- a) The Association shall operate under a fiscal year budget which shall be approved by a majority vote at a General Membership meeting. The Executive Board shall set member dues at an amount sufficient to balance the budget based on current membership levels and expected non-dues income.
- b) Extra budgetary expenses exceeding \$250 shall not be made without the approval of the Executive Board.
- c) A petty cash funds not to exceed \$300 shall be maintained by the Treasurer and used to reimburse out-of-pocket expenses by Officers and Board Members. Petty cash monies shall not be otherwise disbursed without approval of the Executive Board.
- d) Sunshine and Helping-Hand expenses shall not exceed \$50 per individual or event, and shall be subject to approval by a member of the Executive Board.
- e) Contributions to other organizations shall not exceed \$100 per organization per year and shall be subject to approval of the Executive Board.
- f) No Association funds shall be contributed to any political party, organization or candidate, or to any religious institution except for charitable purposes.

ARTICLE XI - Appropriations

Section 1: Non-Budgeted Funds

All proposals for non-budgeted appropriations above \$250.00 must be submitted to the membership in writing. Proposals must be held over until the next regular meeting to be voted

upon. However, this limitation shall be increased to \$500.00 for programs of the Association or expenditures upon property and equipment owned solely by the Association. The procedure as stated above shall also apply to any requests to transfer funds between budget categories or to increase the amount of money budgeted to any item(s).

Section 2: Contracts

Any contract for construction of facilities, services or the purchase of equipment or items for this Association shall be based on the best competitive prices obtained and shall be awarded to the lowest qualified bidder. The qualifications of a bidder shall be determined by the Executive Board. No committee shall have the power to divide a contract to avoid the rules set forth in this article. It is required that at least 2 bids or estimates be obtained for any item or service that is over \$250.00.

Section 3: Funding Limits

The Association shall not appropriate, budget or expend any sum in excess of \$150.00 in any one year to any group or organization. However, this limitation shall not apply to programs of this Association or expenditures upon property and equipment owned solely by this Association. Also, this limitation shall not apply to purchases of property or equipment to be titled solely in the name of this Association. A program of this Association is defined as a program operated, controlled and supervised by this Association.

Section 4: Conflicts of Interest

It is the responsibility of the Executive Board to review any potential conflicts of interest which may arise from the purchase of products and/or services from any member of the association or community member. Whereas the conflict of interest lies within a member of the Executive Board, the conflicted member will recuse themselves from any voting on the matter by the Executive Board. Any conflicts of interest may be waived by the Executive Board, if the conflict meets the below criteria.

- A: Interests and conflicts are addressed in a General Membership meeting at which the General Membership votes to allow the said conflict of interest.
- B: If the conflict does not violate any laws governing the association.
- C: There is an open bid for services and/or products that have at least 2 additional quotes from non-conflicted companies/members.
- D: The said conflict is the lowest qualified bid.
- E: The conflicted member recuses themselves from any votes, discussion, or consulting pertaining to the bid.
- F: The conflicted member is not part of the committee assigned to facilitate, evaluate, or oversee the services or products.

ARTICLE XII - Authority to Borrow or Sell

The Association shall be authorized to borrow, sell, execute negotiable paper, dispose of or encumber its real or personal property upon the authority of a special resolution voted upon by the majority of eligible members present and voting at a regular or special Meeting. Such resolution shall be issued prior to the regular or special meeting and all members of the Association must be given at least fifteen (15) days' notice of such resolution prior to the regular or special meeting.

ARTICLE XIII - Order of Business

The regular meeting day of the Association shall be the third Tuesday of the month, except when that day falls on a holiday, in which case the meeting day shall be the following Tuesday unless otherwise specified by the Executive Board. No General Membership meeting shall be scheduled in January, July, or August except in an emergency.

The Association shall hold a General Membership meeting in June of each year, when the Members shall elect the Officers of the Association for the term that begins July 1. The meeting shall be announced in advance on the website, in the Newsletter and on social media, and that edition of the Newsletter shall be mailed or hand delivered to all households in the Community.

Other General Membership meetings may be scheduled throughout the year as deemed necessary by the Executive Board. Such meetings shall be scheduled and announced in advance on the website, in the Newsletter and on social media.

The Executive Board shall meet as often as it deems necessary, but no less than once each quarter. All Board Members shall be notified in advance of such meetings but notice to the entire Membership is not required. However, proceedings at all such meetings shall be reported in the Newsletter, and Minutes shall be made available to any paid-up Member upon request.

Any four (4) members of the Executive Board constitute a quorum for an Executive Board meeting, provided at least one of the four is an Officer.

Any eight (8) voting members of the Association constitute a quorum for a General Membership meeting provided at least one is an Officer. A scheduled General Membership meeting at which the absence of a quorum is noted shall be conducted as an Executive Board meeting if the quorum for such a meeting is present.

Any thirty (30) voting members of the Association may convene a Special Plenary Session of the Association for any purpose, with or without the presence of an Officer or Board Member, provided such Special Plenary Session has been announced at least 30 days in advance by a special mailing to every household in the Community. The Secretary, upon receipt of a written request for Special Plenary Session, and upon verification that it contains the signatures of at least 30 paid-up members representing at least 15 households, shall schedule the Session for the next regular meeting day at least 30 days distant, and shall arrange for the mailing of notice as described above, at Association expense.

All regular meetings of the Association shall be called to order and the Order of Business shall be as follows:

1. Roll Call of Officers
2. Approval of the Minutes of Last Meeting
3. Report of Executive Board
4. Report of Special Committees
5. Special Guests or Speakers
6. Unfinished Business
7. New Business
8. Treasurer's Report
9. Next meeting and upcoming events reminders
10. Adjournment

ARTICLE XIV – General Items

The Association shall publish a Newsletter which shall be mailed or hand delivered to every household in the Community prior to the Annual General Meeting in June, and to all paid-up member households otherwise. The Newsletter shall contain official communications from the Officers and Executive Board, plus Community news and announcements as space permits. The Newsletter shall be published as often as the Executive Board deems necessary, but not less than

once per calendar quarter. Any additional correspondences may be sent via email, posted on the association website, or via social media.

All business, activities and financial arrangements of the Association shall be conducted based on a fiscal year that begins on July 1 of each calendar year and ends on June 30 of the following year.

These By-Laws constitute the basic governing document of the Association. They shall take effect, and all previous By-Laws shall be repealed, upon approval by a majority vote of members present at an Association meeting.

A quorum consists of six (6) members and at least two **(2)** officers shall constitute a quorum at any regular or **special meeting** of this Association.

ARTICLE XV - Rules of Procedures

The rules contained in Robert's Rules of Order, Newly Revised, or such edition as the President shall designate with the approval of the Executive Board, shall govern this Association in all cases where they are applicable and in which they are not inconsistent with the Bylaws of this Association.

ARTICLE XVI – Amendments Section 1: Proposal of Amendments

Amendments to the Articles of Incorporation or Bylaws may be proposed to the Association by one of the following methods:

- A. Upon the recommendation of the Executive Board, after the Bylaws Committee has studied the proposed amendment or amendments and reported its findings to the Board.
- B. Upon written petition signed by five (5) members in good standing of this Association setting forth the proposed amendment or amendments. In the event that a petition for an amendment is received from the membership, it shall be referred to the Bylaws Committee for study. The Bylaws Committee shall report its recommendations to the Executive Board at the next Executive Board meeting after the petition is received. After taking the report of the Bylaws Committee, the Board members shall vote whether or not to recommend the proposed amendment or amendments. The recommendation of the Executive Board shall be made known to the membership of the Association prior to any vote at the regular meeting when the Bylaws Committee makes its report to the general membership.

Section 2: Voting

- A. The Articles of Incorporation and these Bylaws may be amended by a majority vote of two-thirds (2/3) of the members present, provided that they are eligible to cast a vote by meeting the criteria listed below:
 1. Be a member in good standing, and
 2. Attended at least three (3) General Membership meetings during the previous twelve (12) months.
- B. Notice of proposed amendments to the Articles of Incorporation and these Bylaws must be issued no later than fifteen (15) days prior to the date of said meeting. The fifteen (15) days' notice prior to the date of said meeting may be provided through the Association website.

Section 3: Bylaws Review

The Bylaws Committee shall review all sections of the Bylaws at least once every five (5) years to ensure that the Bylaws are updated to reflect changes that have occurred in the way the Association conducts its business.

ARTICLE XVII – Merger or Dissolution

The Association may at any time be dissolved or merged with or incorporated into another community association or group of associations by two-thirds majority vote of a Special Plenary Session.

In the event there are no candidates for the Offices of the Association at the Annual General Membership Meeting in June, the President may agree to serve for an additional one-year term and upon such agreement shall be deemed to have been duly elected. In the event the President does not so agree, the Executive Board shall convene a Special Meeting for the purpose of determining the future of the Association. Notice shall be mailed or emailed to all paid-up members at least 30 days in advance of the meeting. The members present at the meeting shall constitute a quorum, and the majority thereof shall have full authority to elect and install new officers to continue the Association; or to dissolve the Association and cease all its activities; to dispose of Association assets; and/or to negotiate the merger of the Association with, or incorporation into, any similar Association which in the opinion of the majority will best represent the interests of the North Linthicum Community.

ARTICLE XVIII- Association Property

The property deeded in September 1978 to the North Linthicum Improvement and Protective Association, Inc. is and shall remain under the custody, control, and stewardship of the North Linthicum Improvement and Protective Association, Inc. ("NLIA") for the benefit of the community. Such property is deemed community property and shall not be sold, transferred, conveyed, encumbered, or otherwise disposed of without community involvement, amendment to these Bylaws and any other approvals required by law.