

**BOARD RESOLUTION ADOPTING
ELECTRONIC VOTING AND PARTICIPATION FOR ASSOCIATION MEETINGS
AND ELECTIONS POLICY**

THE VILLAGE AT HAILE CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION, INC.

WHEREAS, Section 718.128, Florida Statutes (2019) provides that an association may conduct elections and other unit owner votes through an Internet-based online voting system and/or the use of electronic notice if a unit owner consents, in writing, to online voting and/or electronic notice and if various requirements are met; and

WHEREAS, the Board has determined it to be in the best interest of the Association to enable the use of electronic voting and/or electronic notice in Association matters and to create the requisite authority required by the above-referenced statute.

NOW THEREFORE, it is resolved as follows:

1. The Association may permit Unit Owners who desire to do so the ability to utilize electronic voting in conformance with the above-referenced statute, as amended from time to time, as well as any applicable administrative rules of the Florida Department of Business and Professional Regulation, as may now exist, be hereafter adopted, or as the same may be amended from time to time.

2. The Board may determine that utilizing electronic voting is not in the best interests of the Association as to any particular meeting or election. Accordingly, there shall be no obligation for the Association to utilize electronic voting at any particular meeting or election.

3. Notice to Unit Owners of the opportunity to vote through an online voting system shall be provided as required by law.

4. The Association hereby adopts the following forms which are incorporated into these Rules by reference:

4.1 Attached as **Exhibit "A"** is the "Consent to Electronic Voting and/or Consent to Receive Electronic Notice of Meetings," which a Unit Owner may sign and file with the Association, or which may be affirmed by the Unit Owner, in order for a Unit Owner to be entitled to vote by electronic means and/or to receive electronic notice of meetings; and

4.2 Attached as **Exhibit "B"** is the "Revocation of Consent to Electronic Voting and/or Revocation of Consent to Receive Electronic Notice of Meetings," which a Unit Owner may sign and file with the Association, or which may be affirmed by the Unit Owner, to revoke their consent to electronic voting and/or their consent to receive electronic notice of meetings.

Unless prohibited by law, an e-mail notification from a Unit Owner to the Association may be used in lieu of a signed consent or revocation form, in which case the terms of the attached consent and revocation forms are incorporated by reference and shall be deemed affirmed by the Unit Owner when consent is given or revoked by e-mail.

5. In order to implement electronic voting, the Association may contract with an outside vendor or other party that provides electronic voting services (referred to collectively hereinafter as the "Provider"). The Board shall use reasonable judgment to ensure that such Provider's services comply with the requirements of law.

6. The Association or its agent shall notify Unit Owners in meeting notice materials, as provided by law, of the ability to vote electronically, including, but not limited to, the Provider's e-mail address or website in a manner the Association reasonably believes to be sufficient to enable Unit Owners to participate in electronic voting.

7. Unit Owners who consent to vote by electronic means may still vote in person, if they choose, by paper means (use of proxies and ballots) or may send proxies to the Association by facsimile transmission or electronic mail, to the extent the Association otherwise receives and accepts proxies through such media. In the event of multiple votes cast

by a Unit as to the same matter, the vote cast first in the election of Directors shall prevail, while the last vote cast will prevail with respect to non-election issues. The Board of Directors has the authority to set cutoff times for electronic voting in connection with the notice of any meeting where electronic voting will be used. In the absence of the Board of Directors announcing a different cutoff time / date for electronic voting, all electronic votes other than votes for the election of directors shall be cast at least **one (1)** hour in advance of said meeting at which time the ability to vote electronically shall be deemed closed for that meeting or election. Votes for the election of directors shall be cast on or before the start time of the meeting at which the election will be held. In any instance wherein a meeting is lawfully adjourned and continued to a new time and date, for such matters to be voted upon but the question has not yet been called, the electronic voting shall be reopened following the adjournment to allow the Unit Owner to cast an electronic vote until **one (1)** hour in advance of the reconvening of the meeting, at which time the ability to vote electronically shall be deemed closed for that continued meeting.

8. By signing or affirming the consent form attached as Exhibit "A" hereto and otherwise choosing to vote electronically as enabled by these Rules, each Unit Owner recognizes that the Association cannot control the practices of third parties regarding internet communications and use of the Owner's e-mail address. As such, and as a condition of the Association's agreement to permit electronic voting, each Unit Owner who consents to electronic voting releases and waives any claim against the Association pertaining to such voting, including, but not limited to, the transmission or placement of "viruses," "malware," "spyware," "cookies," and the like. Each Unit Owner who consents to electronic voting also consents to the Association's publication of their e-mail address, as well as other information (including necessary personal identifying information) to Providers or other third parties to the extent and as may be reasonably necessary to enable the use of electronic voting processes. Such information shall not be considered an official record and shall not be available for Unit Owner inspection unless required by law.

9. By signing or affirming the consent form attached as Exhibit "A" hereto, each Unit Owner further recognizes that internet/electronic communications may be subject to failure, interruptions, or other problems due to a variety of reasons, including, but not limited to, Unit Owner operator error, Provider system or server failures, "spam" blockers, power outages, and the like. As such, and as a condition of the Association's agreement to permit electronic voting, each Unit Owner who consents to electronic voting releases and waives any claim or challenge to such voting, including, but not limited to, situations where a Unit Owner vote was not received or counted by the Association due to no fault of the Board or management.

This Resolution was adopted by the Board of Directors on the 13th day of November 2023, and is effective upon adoption. There are three (3) total Board members. The number of Board members who voted in favor of this Resolution is 3. The number of Board members who voted against this Resolution is zero (0). The vote of each Director is reflected in the minutes of the meeting at which this Resolution was adopted.

**The Village at Haile Condominium
Association, Inc.**

By:



Date:

12/8/23