

**ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION**  
**OF**  
**THE LAURELS HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC.**

1.

The name of the corporation is The Laurels Homeowners Association, Inc.

2.

The corporation is organized pursuant to the provisions of the Georgia Non-Profit Corporation Code.

3.

The corporation has perpetual duration.

4.

The corporation is a corporation not for profit and is organized for the following purposes:

A. To buy, sell, lease, mortgage or otherwise encumber, hold or dispose of both real and personal property of the corporation; to issue bonds and to incur bonded indebtedness; and for such purpose to adopt and establish bylaws, rules and regulations in accordance with the law and not inconsistent with these articles of incorporation.

B. To acquire and administer funds and property which shall be devoted exclusively to the purposes stated herein.

C. The corporation is not organized and shall not be operated for pecuniary gain or profit. No part of the property of the corporation and no part of its net earnings shall issue to the benefit of any director or other private individual. The corporation shall never be authorized to engage in a regular business of a kind ordinarily carried on for profit or in any other activity except in the furtherance of the purpose stated above for which the corporation is organized. The

corporation shall never engage in propaganda, attempt to influence legislation, or participate in any political campaign on behalf of any candidate for public office, nor shall any part of its property or any part of the income therefrom be devoted to such purposes.

D. The purposes for which the corporation is organized are exclusively religious, charitable, scientific, literary, and educational within the meaning of section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue law.

E. Notwithstanding any other provision of these articles, this organization shall not carry on any activities not permitted to be carried on by an organization exempt from Federal income tax under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue law.

F. In the event of dissolution, the residual assets of the organization will be turned over to one or more organizations which themselves are exempt as organizations described in 501(c)(3) and 170(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 or corresponding sections of any prior or future Internal Revenue Code or to the Federal, State or local government for exclusive public purposes.

G. To promote the recreation, health, safety, welfare, common benefit and enjoyment of the Owners of Units of The Laurels Subdivision (the "Subdivision"), being located in Land Lot 53 of the 7th District of Henry County, Georgia, as more fully set forth in that certain Declaration of Restrictive Covenants re The Laurels Subdivision and any amendments thereto (the "Declaration of Covenants"). Contemporaneously with the incorporation of this corporation, said Declaration of Covenants is being filed in the office of the Clerk of the Superior Court of Henry County, Georgia, to be recorded in the records of said Court.

When used in these Articles of Incorporation, words such as, for example, "Declarant",

"Residential Unit" and "Owner" shall have the meaning as set forth in said Declaration of Covenants, unless the context shall otherwise require.

Insofar as permitted by law, this corporation shall have the power to do anything that, in the opinion of the Board of Directors of this corporation, will promote, directly or indirectly, the recreation, health, safety, welfare, common benefit and enjoyment of the Owners and occupants of Units in the Subdivision, including, but not limited to, the power (i) to purchase, accept by gift, lease, hold, sell, mortgage, convey or otherwise acquire or dispose of any real and personal property necessary or proper for the carrying out of the purposes of this corporation; (ii) to own, acquire, construct, equip, operate and maintain amenities, services and facilities incident to the purposes of this corporation; (iii) to fix, levy and collect assessments as provided in said Declaration of Covenants; and (iv) in general, to exercise all the rights, powers, privileges and immunities as are provided and allowed for similar corporations under the laws of Georgia, including, but not limited to, the Georgia Nonprofit Corporation Code, subject, however, to any limitations set forth in said Declaration of Covenants.

6.

The membership of this corporation shall be comprised of the Owners of Residential Units in the Subdivision as set forth in said Declaration of Covenants. Voting by the members of this corporation shall be as set forth in and subject to the provisions of said Declaration of Covenants.

7.

Directors shall be elected and serve as provided in the By-Laws of this corporation. Declarant shall have the power and authority to appoint and remove all of the Directors of this corporation during the period set forth in said Declaration of Covenants. The number of Directors constituting the initial Board of Directors shall be one, and the name and address of each such

Director is:

Gerald Hudgins  
1065 Jodeco Road, Stockbridge, GA 30281

8.

The initial registered office of the corporation is 235 Keys Ferry Street, McDonough, GA 30253.

The initial registered agent of the corporation is William A. White.

9.

These Articles of Incorporation may be amended from time to time in the same manner as is provided in said Declaration of Covenants with respect to amendments to said Declaration of Covenants.

10.

The name and address of the incorporator is as follows: Gerald Hudgins, 1065 Jodeco Road, Stockbridge, GA 30281.

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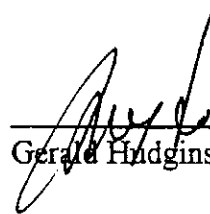
The corporation will have members, whose qualifications will be set by the bylaws of the corporation.

12.

The mailing address of the principal business office of the corporation is 1065 Jodeco Road, Stockbridge, GA 30281.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned executes these Articles of Incorporation.

1065 Jodeco Road  
Stockbridge, GA 30281  
770 474-3361

  
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Gerald Higgins, Incorporator

SECRETARY OF STATE  
00 SEP - 7 PM 2:45  
CORPORATIONS DIVISION

**CONSENT TO APPOINTMENT AS REGISTERED AGENT**

**FOR THE LAURELS HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC.**

I, William A. White, 235 Keys Ferry Street, McDonough, Henry County, Georgia 30253,  
accept appointment as registered agent, and state that I am familiar with the duties as agent.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'W. A. White', written over a horizontal line.

William A. White



CATHY COX  
Secretary of State

OFFICE OF SECRETARY OF STATE  
CORPORATIONS DIVISION  
315 West Tower, #2 Martin Luther King, Jr. Drive  
Atlanta, Georgia 30334-1530  
(404) 656-2817

Registered agent, officer, entity status information via the Internet  
<http://www.sos.state.ga.us/corporations>

WARREN RARY  
Director

QUINTILIS B. ROBINSON  
Deputy Director

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DOCKET #	2510918	PENDING #	0351197	CONTROL #	0040125
DOCKET CODE	311	DATE FILED	9-7-00	AMOUNT RECEIVED	60.00
TYPE CODE	DN	EXAMINER	090	CHECK/RECEIPT #	GANET
		JURISDICTION (COUNTY) CODE	075		

NOTICE TO APPLICANT: PRINT PLAINLY OR TYPE REMAINDER OF THIS FORM

1.	2230784	
	Corporate Name Reservation Number	
	The Laurels Homeowners Association, Inc.	
	Corporate Name	
2.	William A. White	770 957-3937
	Applicant/Attorney	Telephone Number
	235 Keys Ferry Street, Suite 200	
	Address	
	McDonough	GA 30253
	City	State Zip Code

3. Mail or deliver to the Secretary of State, at the above address, the following:
- 1) This transmittal form
  - 2) Original and one copy of the Articles of Incorporation
  - 3) Filing fee of \$60.00 payable to Secretary of State. Filing fees are NON-refundable.

I certify that a Notice of Incorporation or Notice of Intent to Incorporate with a publication fee of \$40.00 has been or will be mailed or delivered to the official organ of the county where the initial registered office of the corporation is to be located. (The Clerk of Superior Court can advise you of the official organ in a particular county.)

Authorized Signature

8/14/00  
Date

Business entity information via the Internet: <http://www.sos.state.ga.us/corporations/>

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