Prepared by and return to: Chris R. Stromenger, Esquire Rogers Towers, P.A. 1301 Riverplace Boulevard, Suite 1500 Jacksonville, Florida 32207

# FIRST AMENDMENT TO DECLARATION OF RESERVATIONS AND PROTECTIVE COVENANTS FOR CANOPY CROSSING

THIS FIRST AMENDMENT (the "Amendment") is made this \_\_\_\_ day of June 2007, by HOLMES TIMBERLAND, LLC, a Florida limited liability company ("Declarant").

#### **RECITALS**

- A. Declarant subjected certain lands to the terms and conditions of the Declaration of Reservations and Protective Covenants recorded in the Official Records Book 379, page 864 of the public records of Holmes County, Florida ("Declaration").
  - B. Declarant owns various Parcels subject to the Declaration.
- C. Pursuant to Article XIX of the Declaration, Declarant has the authority to waive, amend or modify any of the provisions of the Declaration in its sole discretion, without the joinder of any other party, until the last Parcel has been sold.
- D. Declarant desires to amend Article II and Article VI of the Declaration by recording this Amendment and to record the Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws for Canopy Crossing Property Association, Inc. with this Amendment.

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the aforementioned premises the Declarant hereby declare as follows:

- 1. All Recitals are true and correct.
- 2. The defined terms contained in the Declaration shall have the same meaning when used in this Amendment.
- 3. <u>Article II</u>. The sentence provided in Article II beginning with "All of Parcels" and ending in "located in Holmes County, Florida" is hereby amended to state the following:
  - ALL of Parcels numbered One (1) through Eighty-eight (88), including any newly subdivided parcels with alphabetic and/or numeric sub-designations, as provided in Article VI of the Declaration, are part of the Property named Canopy Crossing located in Holmes County, Florida.
- 4. <u>Article VI</u>. The entire provision of Article VI of the Declaration is hereby deleted and shall be restated to state the following:

Upon conveyance from Declarant to a third party, such parcel shall be restricted from further subdivision except as set forth herein. No parcel smaller than 10 acres in size shall be further divided. Those parcels 10

acres and above may be subdivided one time as long as no newly formed or initially created parcel is less than 5 acres in size after subdividing and county standards and approvals are met. Those parcels 20 acres and above may be subdivided two times as long as no newly formed or initially created parcel is less than 5 acres in size after subdividing and county standards and approvals are met. The foregoing subdivision restrictions shall not apply to a parcel as long as such parcel is owned by the Declarant. Each newly created parcel after subdivision shall be no more than a 4:1 ratio of length to width and have adequate direct frontage on the existing roads. Creation of 'flag-lots' (e.g.- narrow stretch of land from the road frontage to be used only for a driveway to access the much larger portion of the same lot to the rear), new roads or easements for lot access are prohibited. Each newly created parcel shall become part of Canopy Crossing with each parcel and its owner being subject to Canopy Crossing covenants and assessments. To further identify the new lot(s), any newly formed parcel shall be numbered the same as the parent, or original, lot from which the subdivision occurred and utilize an alphabetic and/or additional numeric sub-designation (e.g.- 1a, 1b, 1c or 1-A1, 1-B1, 1-B2, etc.). The various Articles of this Declaration are not intended to be used as a permit or approval in lieu of any Holmes County permits or approvals that may be required for subdividing of land.

- 5. The Declaration is hereby amended to include the Articles of Incorporation for Canopy Crossing Property Owners Association, Inc., as amended (the "Articles"), for purposes of recording the Articles in the public records of Holmes County, Florida. The Articles are hereinafter referred to as Exhibit "B" of the Declaration and are attached hereto.
- 6. The Declaration is hereby amended to include the Bylaws for Canopy Crossing Property Owners Association, Inc., (the "Bylaws"), for purposes of recording the Bylaws in the public records of Holmes County. The Bylaws are hereinafter referred to as Exhibit "C" of the Declaration and attached hereto.
- 7. Except as set forth herein, all terms and conditions of the Declaration remain in full force and effect.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, The undersigned have executed this Supplemental Declaration as of the date first above written.

Signed, sealed and delivered in the Presence of:	"Declarant"
Print Name: Deanna Hayes	HOLMES TIMBERLAND, LLC, a Florida limited liability company
	By: Greg Boree, as Manager of The Archer
	Group, LLC, in its capacity as Manager
Print Name: SEAN LARKIN	of Declarant
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Greg Boree, an Agent of HOLME	vas acknowledged before me this <u>final</u> day of June, 2007, by S TIMBERLAND, LLC, a Florida limited liability company, is personally known to me for who has produced as
identification.	Aleanna Abriles
DEANNA HAYES Commission # DD420392	Notary Public, State of Florida Name: Deanna Hayes
My Commission Expires 04-19-2009  80nded Through  Merchants Bonding Company (Mutual)	My Commission Expires 4/19/09 My Commission Number is: 50420392

### **Exhibits**

The Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws for the Canopy Crossing Property Owners Association, Inc. are attached hereto.

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ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION
FOR
CANOPY CROSSING PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC.
2 not-for-profit corporation

The undersigned incorporator, for the purpose of forming a corporation not for profit pursuant to the laws of the State of Florida, hereby adopts the following Articles of Incorporation:

#### 1 NAME

The name of the corporation is CANOPY CROSSING PROEPRTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC. For convenience, the corporation shall be referred to in this instrument as the "Association", these Articles of Incorporation as the "Articles", and the Bylaws of the Association as the "Bylaws".

#### 2 OFFICE

The principal office and mailing address of the Association shall be at 9995 Gate Parkway North, Suite 400, Jacksonville, Florida 32246, or at such other place as may be subsequently designated by the Board of Directors. All books and records of the Association shall be kept at its principal office or at such other place as may be permitted by the Act.

# 3 INITIAL REGISTERED OFFICE; ADDRESS AND NAME OF REGISTERED AGENT

The initial registered office of this corporation shall be at 9995 Gate Parkway North, Suite 400, Jacksonville, Florida 32246. The initial registered agent at that address shall be Deanna Hayes.

#### 4 PURPOSE

The objects and purposes of the Association are those objects and purposes as are authorized by the Declaration of Reservations and Protective Covenants for CANOPY CROSSING recorded in the Public Records of HOLMES County Florida, as hereafter amended and/or supplemented from time to time (the "Declaration"). The further objects and purposes of the Association are to preserve the values in the Property and to maintain the Common Property thereof for the benefit of the Owners who become members of the Association. "Common Property" shall mean and include all of the lands that the Association is obligated by the Declaration to maintain and lands (or interests in lands) owned by or leased to the Association.

#### 5 POWERS

The powers of the Association shall include and be governed by the following:

- 5.1 General. The Association shall have all of the common law and statutory powers of a corporation not for profit under the Laws of Florida, (which are in effect at the time of filing of these Articles) except as expressly limited or restricted by applicable law, the terms of these Articles, the Declaration or the Bylaws.
- 5.2 <u>Enumeration.</u> In addition to the powers set forth in Section 5.1 above, the Association shall have all of the powers and duties reasonably necessary to operate the Property pursuant to the Declaration and as more particularly described in the Bylaws, as they may be amended from time to time, including, but not limited to, the following:
  - (a) To make and collect Assessments and other charges against members as Owners (whether or not such sums are due and payable to the Association), and to use the proceeds thereof in the exercise of its powers and duties including without limitation to the maintenance and operation of a water management system, including but not limited to work within the retention areas, drainage structures or drainage easements.
  - (b) To buy, accept, own, operate, lease, sell, trade and mortgage both real and personal property in accordance with the provisions of the Declaration; provided however, the Common Property may not be mortgaged without the consent of the Owners with voting power representing two thirds of the votes.
  - (e) To maintain, repair, replace, reconstruct, add to and operate the Common Property, including but not limited to the private roads located within CANOPY CROSSING.
  - (d) To purchase insurance upon the Common Property and insurance for the protection of the Association, its officers, directors and Owners,
  - (e) To make and amend reasonable rules and regulations for the maintenance, conservation and use of the Property and for the health, comfort, safety and welfare of the Owners.
  - (f) To enforce by legal means the provisions of the Declaration, these Articles, the Bylaws, the rules and regulations for the use of the Common Property and applicable law.
  - (g) To contract for the management and maintenance of the Common Property and to authorize a management agent to assist the Association in carrying out its powers and duties by performing such functions as the submission of proposals, collection of Assessments, preparation of records, enforcement of rules and maintenance, repair and replacement of the Common Property with such funds as shall be made

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available by the Association for such purposes. The Association and its officers shall, however, retain at all times the powers and duties to make assessments, promulgate rules and execute contracts on behalf of the Association.

- (h) To employ personnel to perform the services required for the proper operation and maintenance of the Common Property.
- (i) To execute all documents or consents, on behalf of all Owners (and their mortgagees), required by all governmental and/or quasi-governmental agencies in connection with land use and development matters (including, without limitation, plats, waivers of plat, unities of title, covenants in lieu thereof, etc.), and in that regard, each Owner, by acceptance of the deed to such Owner's Unit or Lot and each Mortgagee of an Owner by acceptance of a lieu on said Unit or Lot, appoints and designates the President of the Association as such Owner's agent and attorney-in-fact to execute any and all such documents or consents.
- (j) To operate, maintain and manage any water management system in a manner consistent with requirements of any Water Management District permit requirements and applicable District rules, and shall assist in the enforcement of the restrictions and covenants contained in the Declaration.
- 5.3 <u>Association Property</u>. All funds and the title to all properties acquired by the Association and their proceeds shall be held for the benefit and use of the members in accordance with the provisions of the Declaration, these Articles and the Bylaws.
- 5.4 <u>Distribution of Income: Dissolution</u>. The Association shall not pay a dividend to its members and shall make no distribution of income to its members, directors or officers, and upon dissolution, all assets of the Association shall be transferred only to another non-profit corporation or a public agency or as otherwise authorized by the Florida Not For Profit Corporation Act (Chapters 617 and 720, Florida Statutes) and as may be approved by the Water Management District, with respect to the transfer of the water management system.
- 5.5 <u>Limitation</u>. The powers of the Association shall be subject to and shall be exercised in accordance with the provisions hereof and of the Declaration, the Bylaws and applicable law, provided that in the event of conflict, the provisions of applicable law shall control over those of the Declaration and Bylaws. The provisions of the Declaration shall control over those of the Articles and Bylaws; the provisions of the Articles shall control over the provisions of the Bylaws.

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#### 6 MEMBERS

- 6.1 Membership. The members of the Association shall consist of HOLMES TIMBERLAND, LLC ("Declarant") and all of the record title owners of Lots or Units within the Property from time to time, which membership shall be appurtenant to and inseparable from ownership of the Lot or Unit.
- 6.2 <u>Assignment</u>. The share of a member in the funds and assets of the Association cannot be assigned, hypothecated or transferred in any manner except as an appurtenance to the Lot for which that share is held.
- 6.3 <u>Voting</u>. The Association shall have two (2) classes of voting membership:
  - (a) <u>Class A Members</u> shall be all Owners, with the exception of the "Declarant" (as long as the Class B Membership shall exist, and thereafter, the Declarant shall be a Class A Member to the extent it would otherwise qualify). Each Class A Member shall have one vote for each Lot owned by such member.
  - (b) <u>Class B Member</u>. The Class B Member shall be the Developer who shall be entitled to three (3) votes for each Lot owned by the Developer.
  - (c) <u>Turnover of Control of the Board.</u> The Class B Membership shall cease and be converted to Class A Membership ("Turnover") on the happening of any of the following events:
    - (i) December 31, 2010;
- (ii) Three (3) months after ninety percent (90%) of the Lots have been conveyed to members of the Association other than the Developer; or
- (iii) Such earlier date as the Developer may choose to terminate the Class B Membership upon notice to the Association.

All votes shall be exercised or east in the manner provided by the Declaration and Bylaws. After Turnover, the Class A Members may vote to elect the majority of the members of the Board. For the purposes of this Article, builders, contractors or others who purchase a Lot for the purpose of the constructing improvements thereon for resale shall not be deemed to be Class A Members. After Turnover, for so long as the Declarant holds for sale in the ordinary course of business at least five percent (5%) of the Lots within the Property, the Declarant may elect at least one (1) Director. After Turnover, the Declarant will be a Class A Member with respect to the Lots which it owns and shall have all rights and obligations of a Class A Member, except that it may not east its votes for the purpose of reacquiring control of the Association.

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- 6.4 <u>Meetings</u>. The Bylaws shall provide for an annual meeting of members, and may make provision for regular and special meetings of members other than the annual meeting.
- 6.5 Proviso. At Turnover, the Declarant shall transfer control of the Association to Owners other than the Declarant by causing enough of its appointed Directors to resign, whereupon it shall be the affirmative obligation of Owners other than the Declarant to elect Directors and assume control of the Association. Provided at least thirty (30) days notice of Declarant's decision to cause its appointees to resign is given to Owners, neither the Declarant, nor such appointees, shall be liable in any manner in connection with such resignations even if the Owners other than the Declarant refuse or fail to assume control.

#### 7 INCORPORATOR

The name and address of the Incorporator of this Corporation is:

NAME

ADDRESS

Lynda R. Aycock

1301 Riverplace Boulevard, Suite 1500, Jacksonville, Florida 32207

### TERM OF EXISTENCE

Existence of the Association shall commence with the filing of theses Articles of Incorporation with the Secretary of State, Taliahassee, Florida and shall exist in perpetuity. Provided, however, in the event that the Association is dissolved, the assets shall be dedicated to the public body or conveyed to a non-profit or not for profit corporation with similar purpose. In the event of termination, dissolution or final liquidation of the Association, the responsibility for the operation and maintenance of any water management system must be transferred to and accepted by an entity which would comply with applicable provisions of the Florida Administrative Code for the Water Management District and be approved by the Water Management District prior to such termination, dissolution or liquidation.

#### 9 OFFICERS

The affairs of the Association shall be administered by the officers holding the officers designated in the Bylaws. The officers shall be elected by the Board of Directors of the Association at its first meeting following the annual meeting of the members of the Association and shall serve at the pleasure of the Board of Directors. The Bylaws may provide for the removal from office of officers, for filling vacancies and for the duties and qualifications of the officers. The names and addresses of the officers who shall serve until their successors are designated by the Board of Directors are as follows:

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#### NAME AND ADDRESS

TITLE

Gregory Boree 9995 Gate Parkway N., Suite 400 Jacksonville, Florida 32246 President

Timothy Ritch 9995 Gate Parkway N., Suite 400 Jacksonville, Florida 32246 Vice President

Dearma Hayes 9995 Gate Parkway N., Suite 400 Jacksonville, Florida 32246 Secretary

Jeff Jones 9995 Gate Parkway N., Suite 400 Jacksonville, Florida 32246 Treasurer

#### 10 DIRECTORS

- 10.1 Number and Qualification. The property, business and affairs of the Association shall be managed by a board consisting of the number of directors determined in the manner provided by the Bylawz, but which shall consist of not less than three (3) directors nor more than seven (7) directors, as determined from time to time by a majority of the Owners. The initial Board shall be three members. Prior to Turnover, Directors need not be members of the Association.
- 10.2 <u>Duties and Powers</u>. All of the duties and powers of the Association existing under the law, the Declaration, these Articles and the Bylaws shall be exercised exclusively by the Board of Directors, its agents, contractors or employees, subject only to approval by Owners when such approval is specifically required.
- 10.3 <u>Election and Removal.</u> Directors of the Association shall be elected at the annual meeting of the Members in the manner determined by and subject to the qualifications set forth in the Bylaws. Directors may be removed and vacancies on the Board of Directors shall be filled in the manner provided by the Bylaws.
- 10.4 <u>Term of Declarant's Directors</u>. The Declarant shall appoint the members of the first Board of Directors and their replacements who shall hold office for the periods described in the Bylaws.
- 10.5 <u>First Directors</u>. The names and addresses of the members of the first Board of Directors who shall hold office until their successors are elected and have taken office, as provided in the Bylaws, are as follows:

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NAME ADDRES

Gregory Boree 9995 Gate Parkway N., Suite 400 Jacksonville, Florida 32246

Timothy Ritch 9995 Gate Parkway N., Suite 400

Jacksonville, Florida 32246

Deanna Hayes 9995 Gate Parkway N., Suite 400
Jacksonville, Florida 32246

Standards. A director shall discharge his duties as a director, including any duties as a member of a Committee: in good faith; with the care an ordinary prudent person in a like position would exercise under similar circumstances; and in a manner reasonably believed to be in the best interests of the Association. Unless a director has knowledge concerning a matter in question that makes reliance unwarranted, a director, in discharging his duties, may rely on information, opinions, reports or statements, including financial statements and other data, if prepared or presented by: one or more officers or employees of the Association whom the director reasonably believes to be reasonable and competent in the manners presented; legal counsel, public accountants or other persons as to matters the director reasonably believes are within the persons' professional or expert competence; or a Committee of which the director is not a member if the director reasonably believes the Committee marits confidence. A director is not liable for any action taken as a director, or any failure to take action, if he performed the duties of his office in compliance with the foregoing standards.

## 11 INDEMNIFICATION PROVISIONS

- 11.1 Indemnitees. The Association shall indemnify any person who was or is a party to any proceeding (other than an action by, or in the right of, the Association) by reason of the fact that he is or was a director, officer, employee or agent (each, an "Indemnitee") of the Association, against liability incurred in connection with such proceeding, including any appeal thereof, if he acted in good faith and in a manner he reasonably believed to be in, or not opposed to, the best interests of the Association and, with respect to any criminal action or proceeding, had no reasonable cause to believe his conduct was unlawful. The termination of any proceeding by judgment, order, settlement, or conviction or upon a plea of noto contendere or its equivalent shall not, of itself, create a presumption that the person did not act in good faith and in a manner which he reasonably believed to be in, or not opposed to, the best interests of the Association or, with respect to any criminal action or proceeding, had reasonable cause to believe that his conduct was unlawful.
- 11.2 <u>Indemnification</u>. The Association shall indemnify any person, who was or is a party to any proceeding by or in the right of the Association to procure a judgment in its favor by reason of the fact that he is or was a director, officer, employee, or agent of the JAX938693

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Association against expenses and amounts paid in settlement not exceeding, in the judgment of the board of directors, the estimated expense of litigating the proceeding to conclusion, actually and reasonably incurred in connection with the defense or settlement of such proceeding, including any appeal thereof. Such indemnification shall be anthorized if such person acted in good faith and in a manner he reasonably believed to be in, or not opposed to, the best interests of the Association, except that no indemnification shall be made under this subsection in respect of any claim, issue, or matter as to which such person shall have been adjudged to be liable unless, and only to the extent that, the court in which such proceeding was brought, or any other court of competent jurisdiction, shall determine upon application that, despite the adjudication of liability but in view of all circumstances of the case, such person is fairly and reasonably entitled to indemnity for such expenses which such court shall deem proper.

- Indemnification for Expenses. To the extent that a director, officer, employee, or agent of the Association has been successful on the merits or otherwise in defense of any proceeding referred to in subsection 11.1 or 11.2, or in defense of any claim, issue, or matter therein, he shall be indemnified against expenses actually and reasonably incurred by him in connection therewith.
- 11.4 <u>Determination of Applicability</u>. Any indemnification under subsection 11.1 or subsection 11.2, unless pursuant to a determination by a court, shall be made by the Association only as authorized in the specific case upon a determination that indemnification of the director, officer, employee, or agent is proper under the circumstances because he has met the applicable standard of conduct set forth in subsection 11.1 or subsection 11.2. Such determination shall be made:
  - (a) By the Board of Directors by a majority vote of a quorum consisting of directors who were not parties to such proceeding.
  - (b) If such a quorum is not obtainable or, even if obtainable, by majority vote of a Committee duly designated by the Board of Directors (in which directors who are parties may participate) consisting solely of two or more Directors not at the time parties to the proceeding;
  - (c) By independent legal counsel:
    - 1. selected by the Board of Directors prescribed in paragraph (a) or the committee prescribed in paragraph (b), or
    - if a quorum of the directors cannot be obtained for paragraph (a) and the Committee cannot be designated under paragraph (b), selected by majority vote of the full Board of Directors (in which Directors who are parties may participate); or
  - (d) By a majority of the voting interests of the members of the Association who were not parties to such proceeding.

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- 11.5 <u>Determination Regarding Expenses</u>. Evaluation of the reasonableness of expenses and authorization of indemnification shall be made in the same manner as the determination that indemnification is permissible.
- 11.6 Advancing Expenses. Expenses incorred by an officer or director in defending a civil or criminal proceeding may be paid by the Association in advance of the final disposition of such proceeding upon receipt of an undertaking by or on behalf of such director or officer to repay such amount if he is ultimately found not to be entitled to indemnification by the Association pursuant to this section. Expenses incurred by other employees and agents may be paid in advance upon such terms or conditions that the Board of Directors deems appropriate.
- 11.7 Exclusivity: Exclusions. The indemnification and advancement of expenses provided pursuant to this section are not exclusive, and the Association may make any other or further indemnification or advancement of expenses of any of its directors, officers, employees, or agents, under any bylaw, agreement, vote of shareholders or disinterested directors, or otherwise, both as to action in his official capacity and as to action in another capacity while holding such office. However, indemnification or advancement of expenses shall not be made to or on behalf of any director, officer, employee, or agent if a judgment or other final adjudication establishes that his actions, or omissions to act, were material to the cause of action so adjudicated and constitute:
  - (a) A violation of the criminal law, unless the director, officer, employee, or agent had reasonable cause to believe his conduct was lawful or had no reasonable cause to believe his conduct was unlawful;
  - (b) A transaction from which the director, officer, employee, or agent derived an improper personal benefit; or
  - (c) Willful misconduct or a conscious disregard for the best interests of the Association in a proceeding by or in the right of the Association to procure a judgment in its favor or in a proceeding by or in the right of the members of the Association.
- 11.8 Continuing Effect. Indemnification and advancement of expenses as provided in this section shall continue as, unless otherwise provided when authorized or ratified, to a person who has ceased to be a director, officer, employee, or agent and shall inure to the benefit of the heirs, executors, and administrators of such a person, unless otherwise provided when authorized or ratified.
- Application to Court. Notwithstanding the failure of a Association to provide indemnification, and despite any contrary determination of the Board or of the members in the specific case, a director, officer, employee, or agent of the Association who is or was a party to a proceeding may apply for indemnification or advancement of expenses, or both, to the court conducting the proceeding, to the circuit court, or to another court of competent jurisdiction. On receipt of an application, the court, after giving any notice that it considers necessary, may order indemnification and advancement of expenses,

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including expenses incurred in seeking court-ordered indemnification or advancement of expenses, if it determines that: (a) The director, officer, employee, or agent is entitled to mandatory indemnification under subsection 11.3 in which case the court shall also order the Association to pay the director reasonable expenses incurred in obtaining courtordered indemnification or advancement of expenses; (b) The director, officer, employee, or agent is entitled to indemnification or advancement of expenses, or both, by virtue of the exercise by the Association of its power pursuant to section 11.7; or (c) the director, officer, employee, or agent is fairly and reasonably entitled to indemnification or advancement of expenses, or both, in view of all the relevant circumstances, regardless of whether such person met the standard of conduct set forth in subsection 11.1, subsection 11.2. or subsection 11.7, unless (d) a court of competent jurisdiction determines, after all available appeals have been exhausted or not pursued by the proposed Indemnitee, that he did not set in good faith or acted in a manner he reasonably believed to be not in, or opposed to, the best interest of the Association, and, with respect to any criminal action or proceeding, that he had reasonable cause to believe his conduct was unlawful, and (c) such court further specifically determines that indemnification should be denied. The termination of any proceeding by judgment, order, settlement, conviction or upon a plea of noto contenders or its equivalent shall not, of itself, create a presumption that the person did not act in good faith or did act in a manner which he reasonably believed to be not in, or opposed to, the best interest of the Association, and, with respect to any criminal action or proceeding, that he had reasonable cause to believe that his conduct was unlawful.

- 11.10 <u>Definitions</u>. For purposes of this Article 11, the term "expenses" shall be deemed to include attorneys' fees, including those for any appeals; the term "liability" shall be deemed to include obligations to pay a judgment, settlement, penalty, fine, and expenses actually and reasonably incurred with respect to a proceeding; the term "proceeding" shall be deemed to include any threatened, pending, or completed action, suit, or other type of proceeding, whether civil, criminal, administrative or investigative, and whether formal or informal; and the term "agent" shall be deemed to include a volunteer; the term "serving at the request of the Association" shall be deemed to include any service as a director, officer, employee or agent of the Association that imposes duties on such persons.
- 11.11 Amendment. Anything to the contrary herein notwithstanding, no amendment to the provisions of this Article 11 shall be applicable as to any party eligible for indemnification hereunder who has not given his prior written consent to such amendment.

#### 12 BYLAWS

The first Bylaws of the Association shall be adopted by the Board of Directors and may be altered, amended or rescinded in the manner provided in the Bylaws and the Declaration.

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#### 13 AMENDMENTS

Amendments to these Articles shall be proposed and adopted in the following manner:

- 13.1 Notice. Notice of a proposed amendment shall be included in the notice of any meeting at which the proposed amendment is to be considered and shall be otherwise given in the time and manner provided in Chapters 617 and 720, Florida Statutes. Such notice shall contain the proposed amendment or a summary of the changes to be affected thereby.
- Adoption, Amendments shall be proposed and adopted in the manner provided in Chapters 617 and 720, Florida Statutes and in the Act (the latter to control over the former to the extent provided for in the Act); provided that in all events such amendments shall be approved by the Owners representing two thirds of the votes of the members of the Association who have voting power at the time of such amendment.
- 13.3 <u>Declarant Amendments</u>. Notwithstanding anything herein contained to the contrary, prior to Turnover and to the extent lawful, the Declarant may amend these Articles consistent with the provisions of the Declaration allowing certain amendments to be effected by the Declarant alone.
- 13.4 Recording. A copy of each amendment shall be filed with the Secretary of State pursuant to the provisions of applicable Florida law, and a copy certified by the Secretary of State shall be recorded in the public records of Holmes County, Florida with an identification on the first page thereof of the book and page of said public records where the Declaration are recorded which contains, as an exhibit, the initial recording of these Articles.

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#### APPROVAL OF FHA/VA

In the event that a mortgage on a Unit or a Lot is guaranteed by the Federal Housing Agency ("FHA") or the Veteran's Administration ("VA"), then for so long as there is a Class B Membership, there shall be approval of the FHA or VA to the following actions: (i) Annexation of additional properties (excluding Future Development Property), mergers and consolidations of the Association, mortgaging of Common Property, dissolution or amendment of these Articles.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Incorporator has affixed her signature the day and year set forth below.

ynda R. Aycock, Incorporator

Dated this day of Fibrary, 2006.

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#### ACKNOWLEDGMENT

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The foregoing instr	ment was acknowledged before me this day of Lynda R. Aycock. She is personally known to me or who has
February , 2006, by	Lynda R. Aycock. She is personally known to me or who has
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Notary Public, State of Florida at Large
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# CERTIFICATE DESIGNATING PLACE OF BUSINESS OR DOMICILE FOR THE SERVICE OF PROCESS WITHIN THIS STATE, NAMING AGENT UPON WHOM PROCESS MAY BE SERVED.

In compliance with the laws of Florida, the following is submitted:

First --That desiring to organize under the laws of the State of Florida with its principal office, as indicated in the foregoing Articles of Incorporation, in the County of Holmes, State of Florida, the Association named in the said articles has named the said articles have those address is 9995 Gate Parkway North, Suite 400, Jacksonville, Florida 32246, as its statutory registered agent.

Having been named the statutory agent of said Association at the place designated in this certificate, I am familiar with the obligations of that position, and hereby accept the same and agree to act in this capacity, and agree to comply with the provisions of Florida law relative to keeping the registered office open.

Registered Agent:

DATED this 22 day of Feb. 2006

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ursuant to the provisions of section 617.1006, Florida Statutes, this Florida Not For Profit Corporation adopts the following amendment(s) to its Articles of Incorporation:
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#### **BYLAWS**

#### OF

#### CANOPY CROSSING PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC.

#### ARTICLE I

#### NAME AND LOCATION

Section 1 Name. The name of the corporation is Canopy Crossing Property Owners Association, Inc. (the "Association").

Section 2. <u>Location</u>. The principal office of the Association shall be located in Holmes County, Florida. The registered office of the Association may be, but need not be, identical with the principal office.

#### ARTICLE II

#### **DEFINITIONS**

All capitalized terms when used in these By-Laws, or any amendment hereto (unless the context shall otherwise require or unless otherwise specified herein or therein) shall have the meanings set forth in that certain Canopy Crossing Declaration of Reservations and Protective Covenants entered into by Holmes Timberland, LLC and duly recorded in the public records for Holmes County, Florida (hereinafter referred to as the "Declaration").

#### ARTICLE III

#### MEETINGS OF ASSOCIATION MEMBERS

Section 1. Annual Meetings. The first annual meeting of the Association Members shall be held on the third (3<sup>rd</sup>) Tuesday in \_\_\_\_\_\_ of 200\_\_, and each subsequent regular annual meeting of the Association Members shall be held during the first quarter of each year thereafter on a date and at a time designated by the Board. If the day for the annual meeting of the Association Members is a legal holiday, the meeting will be held at the same hour on the first day following which is not a legal holiday. The election of directors, if one is required to be held, must be held at, or in conjunction with, the annual meeting.

Section 2. Special Meetings. Special meetings of the Association Members may be called at any time by (a) the President or by the Board or (b) by the holders of at least ten percent (10%) of all the votes entitled to be cast on any issue proposed to be considered at a proposed special meeting upon the delivery to the Association's Secretary of one or more signed and dated written demands describing the purpose or purposes for

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which it is to be held. Any such special meeting called by the Association Members in the manner described in (b) above shall be held within sixty (60) days after the delivery of such written demand by the holders of at least ten percent (10%) of the votes entitled to be cast at such meeting.

Section 3. Place of Meetings. All meetings of the Association Members shall be held at such place, within Holmes County, Florida, as shall be determined by the Board.

Section 4. Notice of Meetings. The association shall give all lot owners (referred to singularly as "Owner" and collectively as "Owners") and Members actual notice of all membership meetings, which shall be mailed, delivered, or electronically transmitted to the members not less than 14 days prior to the meeting. Evidence of compliance with this 14-day notice shall be made by an affidavit executed by the person providing the notice and filed upon execution among the official records of the association. In addition to mailing, delivering, or electronically transmitting the notice of any meeting, the association may, by reasonable rule, adopt a procedure for conspicuously posting and repeatedly broadcasting the notice and the agenda on a closed-circuit cable television system serving the association. When broadcast notice is provided, the notice and agenda must be broadcast in a manner and for a sufficient continuous length of time so as to allow an average reader to observe the notice and read and comprehend the entire content of the notice and the agenda.

- Section 5. Membership in the Association. Each and every Owner of a Lot shall automatically become and be an Association Member. In addition, for so long as Developer owns any part of the Property, Developer shall be an Association Member.
- <u>Section 6</u>. <u>Classes of Voting Right</u>. Members shall have the voting rights set forth in the Articles of Incorporation.
- Section 7. <u>Turnover</u>. Control of the Association will be transferred to the Owners as provided in Section 720.307, Florida Statutes.
- Section 8. Quorum and Voting. The presence at the meeting of Association Members entitled to cast, or of proxies entitled to cast, twenty percent (20%) of the votes entitled to be cast by all classes of the Association Members shall constitute a quorum for any action except as otherwise provided in the Articles, the Declaration, or these Bylaws; if, however, such quorum shall not be present or represented at any meeting, subsequent meetings may be called, subject to the same notice requirement, until the required quorum is present.
- <u>Section 9.</u> <u>Proxies.</u> At all meetings of Association Members, each Association Member may vote in person or by proxy. All proxies shall be in writing and filed with the Association's Secretary. Every proxy shall be revocable.
- Section 10. Action by Association Members. Except as may be otherwise specifically set forth in the Declaration, the Articles or these Bylaws, the vote of a

majority of all votes entitled to be cast by all classes of the Association Members, present or represented by legitimate proxy at a legally constituted meeting at which a quorum is present, shall be the act of the Association Members. Notwithstanding the above, the affirmative vote of no less than two-thirds (2/3) of all votes entitled to be cast by the Association Members shall be required in order for the Association to (1) file a complaint, on account of an act or omission of Developer, with any governmental agency which has regulatory or judicial authority over the Project or any part thereof; or (2) assert a claim against or sue Developer.

Section 11. Waiver of Notice. Any Association Member may, at any time, waive notice of any meeting of the Association Members in writing and such waiver shall be deemed equivalent to the giving of such notice. Attendance by an Association Member at any meeting of the Association Members shall constitute a waiver of notice by him of the time and place thereof except where an Association Member attends a meeting for the express purpose of objecting to the transaction of any business because the meeting was not lawfully called. If all the Association Members are present at any meeting of the Association Members, no notice shall be required and any business may be transacted at such meeting.

Section 12. Informal Action by Association Members. Any action which may be taken at a meeting of the Association Members may be taken without a meeting if a consent in writing, setting forth the action so taken, shall be signed by all of the Association Members who would be entitled to vote upon such action at a meeting and filed with the Secretary of the Association to be kept in the Association's minute book.

#### ARTICLE IV

#### BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Section 1. Number and Appointment. The business and affairs of the Association shall be managed by a Board of not less than three (3) nor more than seven (7) directors. The directors need not be Association Members. The first board elected by the Members following transition of association control as provided in Section 720.307, Florida Statutes, shall consist of three (3) members. Prior to transition of control as provided in Section 720.307, Florida Statutes, Developer shall determine the number of Board Members.

Section 2. <u>Initial Directors</u>. The initial directors shall be named in the Articles of Incorporation. Such initial directors shall serve from the date upon which the Declaration is recorded in the public records for Holmes County, Florida, until such time as their successors are duly appointed or elected and qualified.

Section 3. Nomination. All members of the association shall be eligible to serve on the board of directors, and a member may nominate himself or herself as a candidate for the board at a meeting where the election is to be held. Boards of directors must be elected by a plurality of the votes cast by eligible voters. Any election dispute between a

member and an association must be submitted to mandatory binding arbitration with the division. Such proceedings shall be conducted in the manner provided by s. 718.1255, Florida Statutes, and the procedural rules adopted by the division. Nominations for election to the Board shall be made by a Nominating Committee and subject to Section 1 of this Article IV, nominations may also be made from the floor at the annual meeting. Subject to Section 1 of this Article IV, the Nominating Committee shall consist of a Chairman, who shall be an Association Member or a member of the Board, and two (2) or more Association Members. The Nominating Committee shall be appointed by the Board prior to the annual meeting following the first election of directors and each annual meeting of the Association Members thereafter, to serve from the close of such annual meeting until the close of the next annual meeting and such appointment shall be announced at each such annual meeting. The Nominating Committee shall make as many nominations for election to the Board as it shall in its discretion determine, but not less than the number of vacancies that are to be filled. Prior to the transition of association control as provided in Section 720.307, Florida Statutes, Developer may appoint a Nominating Committee at its discretion to nominate Association Members for election to the Board for those positions on the Board to be filled by election of the Association Members.

Section 4. Election. Except as otherwise provided in this Article, including Section 1 hereof, directors shall be elected at the annual meeting of the Association Members and said election shall be by written ballot. At such election, the Association Members or their proxies may cast, in respect to each vacancy, as many votes as they are entitled to exercise under the provisions of the Articles, these Bylaws and the Declaration. Cumulative voting is not permitted.

Section 5. Term of Office. Each director shall hold office for the term for which he was appointed or elected, or until his death, resignation, retirement, removal, disqualification, or until his successor is appointed or elected and qualified. Subject to Section 1 of this Article IV, at the time of transition of Association control pursuant to Section 720.307, Florida Statutes, the Association Members shall elect two (2) members of the Board for a term of three (3) years, who shall be the person receiving the largest number of votes, two of the members of the Board for a term of two (2) years, who shall be the person receiving the second largest number of votes, and the balance of the members of the Board for a term of one (1) year, who shall be the person receiving the third largest number of votes; provided that following transition of control to the Members other than Developer, if the Developer is entitled to elect any members to the Board, such board member shall be elected for one (1) year. At all annual elections thereafter but subject to Section 1 of this Article IV, director(s) shall be elected by the Association Members to succeed the director(s) whose term(s) then expire(s), and thereafter each director's term shall be three (3) years. Nothing herein contained shall be construed to prevent the election of a director to succeed himself. Votes shall be tallied at the meeting where they are so cast and, in the event of a tie vote, a run-off election shall be conducted at the same meeting.

Section 6. Removal. Subject to Section 1 of this Article IV, any newly elected director may be removed from the Board, as provided in Section 720.303(10), Florida Statutes. In the event of the death, resignation or removal of a director, his successor shall be selected by the remaining members of the Board and shall serve for the unexpired term of his predecessor. The Association Members may elect a director at any time to fill any vacancy not filled by the directors or, if applicable, not appointed by the Developer.

Section 7. Compensation. No director shall receive compensation for any service he or she may render to the Association; however, any director may be reimbursed for his or her actual expenses incurred in the performance of his or her duties.

#### ARTICLE V

#### MEETINGS OF DIRECTORS

<u>Section 1</u>. <u>Regular Meetings</u>. Meetings of the Board shall be held on a regular basis as often as the Board sees fit on such days and at such place and hour as may be fixed from time to time by resolution of the Board. Should said meeting fall upon a legal holiday, then that meeting shall be held at the same time on the next day which is not a legal holiday.

Section 2. Special Meetings. Special meetings of the Board shall be held when called by the President of the Association, or by any two directors, after not less than three (3) days notice to each director.

Section 3. Quorum. A meeting of the board of directors of an association occurs whenever a quorum of the board gathers to conduct association business. All meetings of the board must be open to all members except for meetings between the board and its attorney with respect to proposed or pending litigation where the contents of the discussion would otherwise be governed by the attorney-client privilege. A majority of the number of directors shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. Every act or decision done or made by a majority of the directors present at a duly held meeting at which a quorum is present shall be regarded as the act of the Board.

Section 4. Notice. Notices of all board meetings must be posted in a conspicuous place in the community at least 48 hours in advance of a meeting, except in an emergency. In the alternative, if notice is not posted in a conspicuous place in the community, notice of each board meeting must be mailed or delivered to each member at least 7 days before the meeting, except in an emergency. Notwithstanding this general notice requirement, for communities with more than 100 members, the bylaws may provide for a reasonable alternative to posting or mailing of notice for each board meeting, including publication of notice, provision of a schedule of board meetings, or the conspicuous posting and repeated broadcasting of the notice on a closed-circuit cable television system serving the homeowners' association. However, if broadcast notice is used in lieu of a notice posted physically in the community, the notice must be broadcast

at least four times every broadcast hour of each day that a posted notice is otherwise required. When broadcast notice is provided, the notice and agenda must be broadcast in a manner and for a sufficient continuous length of time so as to allow an average reader to observe the notice and read and comprehend the entire content of the notice and the agenda. The bylaws or amended bylaws may provide for giving notice by electronic transmission in a manner authorized by law for meetings of the board of directors, committee meetings requiring notice under this section, and annual and special meetings of the members; however, a member must consent in writing to receiving notice by electronic transmission. An assessment may not be levied at a board meeting unless a written notice of the meeting is provided to all members at least 14 days before the meeting, which notice includes a statement that assessments will be considered at the meeting and the nature of the assessments. Rules that regulate the use of parcels in the community may not be adopted, amended, or revoked at a board meeting unless a written meeting notice is provided to all members at least 14 days before the meeting, which notice includes a statement that changes to the rules regarding the use of parcels will be considered at the meeting. Directors may not vote by proxy or by secret ballot at board meetings, except that secret ballots may be used in the election of officers. This subsection also applies to the meetings of any committee or other similar body, when a final decision will be made regarding the expenditure of association funds, and to any body vested with the power to approve or disapprove architectural decisions with respect to a specific parcel of residential property owned by a member of the community.

Section 5. Chairman. A Chairman of the Board shall be elected by the directors and shall preside over all Board meetings until the President of the Association is elected. Thereafter, the President shall serve as Chairman. In the event there is a vacancy in the office of the Presidency, a Chairman shall be elected by the Board and serve until a new President is elected.

Section 6. Participation by Conference Telephone. Any one or more directors may participate in a meeting of the Board by means of a conference telephone or similar communications device that allows all directors participating in the meeting and all Owners present at the meeting to simultaneously hear each other during the meeting, and such participation in a meeting shall be deemed presence in person at such meeting.

#### ARTICLE VI

#### POWERS OF THE BOARD

The Board, for the mutual benefit of the Association Members and the Owners, shall have the following specific powers and rights (without limitation of other powers and rights the Board may have):

(a) To enter into or assume Developer's obligations under and accept assignments of agreements with the appropriate governmental authorities to enable the Association to improve and maintain the Common Areas or portions thereof;

- (b) To make reasonable rules and regulations for the use and operation of the Common Areas, and to amend them from time to time;
- (c) To enter into or assume Developer's obligations under and accept assignments of agreements or contracts with insurance companies with respect to insurance coverage relating to the Common Areas and/or the Association;
- (d) To enter into or assume Developer's obligations under and accept assignments of agreements or contracts, including street light leases, with utility companies with respect to utility installation, consumption and service matters relating to the Common Areas and/or the Association:
- (e) Subject to the affirmative vote of no less than a majority of all votes present, in person or by proxy, at a duly held meeting of the Association Members at which a quorum is present, all in accordance with these Bylaws, to borrow funds to pay costs of operation of the Association, which borrowings may be secured by assignment or pledge of rights against delinquent Owners or by liens on other Association assets, if the Association Members see fit; provided; however, until such time as Developer no longer owns any portion of the Property, the Board may not mortgage any portion of the Common Area without the prior written approval of Developer;
- (f) To enter into or assume Developer's obligations under and accept assignments of contracts, maintain one or more bank accounts, and, generally, to have all the powers necessary or incidental to the operation and management of the Association;
- (g) To the extent permitted in the Declaration and these Bylaws, to sue or defend in any court of law in behalf of the Association;
- (h) To levy assessments in accordance with the provisions of the Declaration;
- (i) To adjust the amount, collect and use any insurance proceeds to repair damage or replace lost property of the Association and if proceeds are insufficient to repair damage or replace lost property, to assess the Owners in proportionate amounts to cover the deficiency;
- (j) To exercise for the Association all powers, duties and authority vested in or delegated by the Declaration, these Bylaws, or the Articles to the Association and not reserved to the Association Members or Developer by other provisions of the Declaration, these Bylaws or the Articles;
- (k) To declare the office of a member of the Board to be vacant in the event such member shall be absent, without the consent of the Board, from three (3) consecutive regular meetings of the Board; provided that Developer shall be entitled to replace any member of the Board elected or appointed by Developer;

- (l) To employ a manager or firm to manage the affairs and property of the Association, to employ independent contractors or such other employees as the Board may deem necessary, and to prescribe their duties and to set their compensation;
- (m) To enter into or assume Developer's obligations under and accept assignments of agreements or contracts with builders regarding the construction of Improvements on Lots located on the Property;
- (n) To retain the services of legal and accounting firms;
- (o) To cause all officers or employees having fiscal responsibilities to be bonded, as the Board may deem appropriate;
- (p) To the extent permitted in the Declaration, these Bylaws, and Chapter 720, Florida Statutes to enforce the provisions of the Declaration and any Additional or Supplementary Declaration and any rules made thereunder or hereunder and to enjoin and/or, at its discretion, seek damages or other relief and impose fines for violation of such provisions or rules and/or by Special Individual Assessments against any Owner for violation of such provisions or rules pursuant to the provisions of the Declaration;
- (q) To contract with any third party or any Association Member (including, without limitation, Developer) for performance, on behalf of the Association, of services which the Association is otherwise required to perform pursuant to the terms of the Declaration and these Bylaws, upon such terms and conditions and for such consideration as the Board may deem proper, advisable and in the best interests of the Association;
- (r) To employ or retain the services of professional architects or other Persons to serve on or advise the Architectural Review Committee;
- (s) To grant all necessary easements and rights-of-way over and across the Common Areas when in its sole discretion it deems such an action to be necessary and appropriate, including, but not limited to, easements for the installation and maintenance of electrical, telephone, cablevision, water, sewerage and other utilities and drainage facilities; provided, however, until such time as Developer no longer owns any portion of the Property, the Board may not grant such an easement or right-of-way without the prior written approval of Developer;
- (t) Subject to the requirements of applicable law, to convey fee simple title to all or any part of the Common Area when in its sole discretion it deems such an action to be necessary and appropriate; provided, however, until such time as Developer no longer owns any portion of the Property, the Board may not convey any portion of the Common Area without the prior written approval of Developer;
- (u) To take any and all other actions, and to enter into any and all other agreements as may be necessary or proper for the fulfillment of its obligations under the Declaration or these Bylaws or for the operational protection of the Association;

- (v) To adopt reasonable rules from time to time governing conduct of Owners and other Persons occupying or otherwise located on the Property;
- (w) To grant licenses to third parties, on such terms and conditions as the Board deems desirable, for the use of all or a portion of the Common Areas.

Notwithstanding anything contained herein to the contrary, none of the above-described rights and powers of the Board shall be obligatory on the part of the Board, and the failure or refusal by the Board to implement any such rights and powers shall not constitute a breach or default by the Board of any duties or obligations arising hereunder or otherwise owing to the Association Members.

#### ARTICLE VII

#### OFFICERS AND THEIR DUTIES

- <u>Section 1</u>. <u>Officers</u>. The officers of the Association shall be a President, a Vice-President, a Secretary and a Treasurer, and such other officers as the Board may from time to time by resolution create.
- <u>Section 2</u>. <u>Election of Officers</u>. The election of officers shall take place at the first meeting of the Board following each annual meeting of the Association Members.
- Section 3. Term. Each officer of the Association shall be elected annually by the Board and each shall hold office for one (1) year or until his death, resignation, retirement, removal, disqualification, or his successor is elected and qualifies.
- Section 4. Special Appointments. The Board may elect such other officers as the affairs of the Association may require, each of whom shall hold office for such period, have such authority and perform such duties as the Board may, from time to time, determine.
- Section 5. Resignation and Removal. Any officer may be removed from office with or without cause by the Board. Any officer may resign at any time by giving written notice to the Board, the President or the Secretary. Such resignation shall take effect on the date of receipt of such notice or at any later time specified therein, and unless otherwise specified therein, the acceptance of such resignation shall not be necessary to make it effective.
- Section 6. Vacancies. A vacancy in any office may be filled by appointment by the Board. The officer appointed to such vacancy shall serve for the remainder of the term of the officer he or she replaces.
- Section 7. Multiple Offices. The offices of Secretary and Treasurer may be held by the same person. No person shall simultaneously hold more than one of any of the

other offices except in the case of special offices created pursuant to <u>Section 4</u> of this Article.

<u>Section 8</u>. <u>Compensation</u>. No officer shall receive any compensation from the Association for acting as such.

Section 9. Duties. The duties of the officers, unless otherwise stated by a resolution of the Board, are as follows:

- (a) <u>President</u>: The President shall be the principal executive officer of the Association, and subject to the control of the Board, shall supervise and control the management of the Association. The President shall preside at all meetings of the Board; shall see that orders and resolutions of the Board are carried out; shall sign all leases, mortgages, deeds, promissory notes and other written instruments and may co-sign all checks:
- (b) <u>Vice-President</u>: The Vice-President shall act in the place and stead of the President in the event of his absence, inability or refusal to act, and shall exercise and discharge such other duties as may be required of him by the Board;
- (c) <u>Sccretary</u>: The Secretary shall record the votes and keep the minutes of all meetings and proceedings of the Board and of the Association Members, shall keep the corporate seal of the Association and affix it on all papers requiring said seal, shall serve notice of meetings of the Board and of the Association Members, shall keep appropriate current records showing the members of the Association together with their addresses, and shall perform such other duties as required by the Board; and
- (d) <u>Treasurer</u>: The Treasurer shall receive and deposit in appropriate bank accounts all monies of the Association and shall disburse such funds as directed by resolution of the Board, shall sign all checks and promissory notes of the Association, shall keep proper books of account, and shall prepare an annual report to be presented to the membership at its regular annual meeting, and deliver a copy of each to the Association Members.

#### ARTICLE VIII

#### COMMITTEES

Subject to Section 1, of Article IV of these Bylaws, the Board shall appoint a Nominating Committee as provided in Section 3, of Article IV of these Bylaws. In addition, the Board shall appoint other committees as deemed appropriate in carrying out its purpose.

#### ARTICLE IX

#### BOOKS AND RECORDS

The books, records and papers of the Association shall at all times, during reasonable business hours, be subject to inspection by any Association Member. The Declaration, the Articles and the Bylaws shall be available for inspection by any Association Member at the principal office of the Association, where copies may be purchased at reasonable cost.

#### ARTICLE X

#### ASSESSMENTS

As described more particularly in, and subject in all respects to, the Declaration, each Member is obligated to pay to the Association, among other assessments, charges and amounts, Annual Assessments, Special Assessments, and Special Individual Assessments, all of which are secured by a continuing lien upon each Lot in the Property. Any Assessments which are not paid when due shall be delinquent. If an Assessment is delinquent, as more particularly described in the Declaration, the Assessment shall bear interest from the due date until the date such Assessment and interest thereon is paid at the rate of eighteen percent (18%) per annum or the highest rate permitted by law, whichever is less. The Association may bring an action at law or in equity against the Owner personally obligated to pay the same or foreclose the lien against the portions of the Property and improvements thereon owned by the defaulting Owner as of the Assessment due date. Additionally, the late charges, costs of collection and reasonable attorneys' fees related to any such action or foreclosure shall be added to the amount of such Assessment, all as more particularly described in the Declaration. No Owner may exempt himself or herself from liability for Assessments or waive or otherwise escape liability from the Assessments by non-use of the Common Areas or abandonment of his or her property.

#### ARTICLE XI

#### CORPORATE SEAL

The Association may have a seal circular in form having within its circumference the name of the Corporation, the state of its incorporation, the year of its incorporation, and the word "SEAL."

#### ARTICLE XII

#### **AMENDMENTS**

Subject to the limitations hereinafter contained, the Articles and these Bylaws may be amended or modified at any time by a vote of no less than fifty-one percent

(51%) of all votes entitled to be cast by the Association Members, which vote is taken at a duly held meeting of the Association Members at which a quorum is present, all in accordance with these Bylaws. Provided, however, if fifty-one percent (51%) of all votes entitled to be cast by the Association Members cannot be obtained at such a meeting, then the Articles and these Bylaws may be amended by obtaining the vote of fifty-one percent (51%) of all votes present at a duly held meeting of the Association Members at which a quorum is present and by, within ninety (90) days of such vote, obtaining written consent to such amendment by Association Members holding a sufficient number of votes to comprise, along with such voting Association Members, a total of fifty-one percent (51%) of all votes entitled to be cast by Association Members.

Any "Developer related Amendment" shall be subject to the provisions of the Declaration. Prior to the transition of control of the Association to the Owners, Developer, without obtaining the approval of any other Association Member or any other Owner or Owners other than Developer, may make amendments or modifications to the Articles and these Bylaws.

Any amendment or modification effected pursuant to this <u>Article XII</u> shall become effective with respect to these Bylaws when an instrument is filed of record in the public records for Holmes County, Florida; provided, however, such an amendment or modification, in lieu of being executed by the Association Members voting for such amendment or modification, may contain a certification of the Secretary of the Association stating that the amendment or modification has been voted on and approved by the requisite number of votes of the Association Members, as provided in this <u>Article XII</u> and when, with respect to the Articles, any amendment or modification is filed of record in the Office of the Florida Secretary of State.

Notwithstanding anything herein contained to the contrary, prior to transition of control of the Association to the Members as provided in Section 720.307, Florida Statutes, and to the extent lawful, the Developer has the unilateral right to amend these Bylaws. Any such amendment or modification shall become effective when an instrument executed by the Developer is filed of record in the public records for Holmes County, Florida.

#### ARTICLE XIII

#### **MISCELLANEOUS**

Section 1. The fiscal year of the Association shall begin on the first day of January and end on the 31st day of December of every year, except that the first fiscal year shall begin on the date of incorporation.

Section 2. In the case of any conflict between the Articles and the Bylaws, the Articles shall control; and in the case of any conflict between the Declaration and the Bylaws or the Articles, the Declaration shall control.

#### ARTICLE XIV

## LIABILITY LIMITS; INDEMNIFICATION OF DIRECTORS, OFFICERS AND OTHERS

Neither Developer, nor any Association Member, nor the Board, nor the Association, nor any officers, directors, agents or employees of any of them shall be personally liable for debts contracted for or otherwise incurred by the Association or for a tort of another Association Member, whether or not such other Association Member was acting on behalf of the Association or otherwise. Neither Developer, nor the Association, nor their directors, officers, agents or employees shall be liable for any incidental or consequential damages for failure to inspect any premises, improvements or portions thereof or for failure to repair or maintain the same. Developer, the Association or any other person, firm or association making such repairs or maintenance shall not be liable for any personal injury or other incidental or consequential damages occasioned by any act or omission in the repair or maintenance of any premises;, improvements or portions thereof.

The Association shall, to the extent permitted by applicable law, indemnify and defend all members of the Board from and against any and all loss, cost, expense, damage, liability, claim, action or cause of action arising from or relating to the performance by the Board of its duties and obligations, except for any such loss, cost, expense, damage, liability, claim, action or cause of action resulting from the gross negligence or willful misconduct of the person(s) to be indemnified.

The Association shall indemnify any director or officer or former director or officer of the Association or any person who may have served at the request of the Association as a director or officer of another corporation, whether for profit or not for profit, against expenses (including attorneys' fees) or liabilities actually and reasonably incurred by him or her in connection with the defense of or as a consequence of any threatened, pending or completed action, suit or proceeding (whether civil or criminal) in which he or she is made a party or was (or is threatened to be made) a party by reason of being or having been such director or officer, except in relation to matters as to which he or she shall be adjudged in such action, suit or proceeding to be liable for gross negligence or willful misconduct in the performance of a duty.

The indemnification provided herein shall not be deemed exclusive of any other rights to which those indemnified may be entitled under any statute, these Bylaws, agreement, vote of Association Members or disinterested directors or otherwise, both as to action in his or her official capacity and as to action in another capacity while holding such office, and shall continue as to a person who has ceased to be a director, officer, employee or agent and shall inure to the benefit of the heirs, executors and administrators of such person.

The Association may purchase and maintain insurance on behalf of any person who is or was a director, officer, employee or agent of the Association, or is or was

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serving at the request of the Association as a director, officer, employee or agent of another corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust or other enterprise against any liability asserted against him or her and incurred by him or her in such capacity, or arising out of his or her status as such, whether or not the Association would have the power to indemnify him or her against such liability.

The Association's indemnity of any person who is or was a director, officer, employee or agent of the Association, or is or was serving at the request of the Association, as a director, officer, employee or agent of the Association, or is or was serving at the request of the Association, as a director, officer, employee or agent of another corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust or other enterprise, shall be reduced by any amounts such person may collect as indemnification (i) under any policy of insurance purchased and maintained on his or her behalf by the Association or (ii) from such other corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust or other enterprise.

Nothing contained in this <u>Article XIV</u>, or elsewhere in these Bylaws, shall operate to indemnify any director or officer if such indemnification is for any reason contrary to any applicable state or federal law.

#### ARTICLE XV

#### **DISCLOSURE**

Owners shall comply with the disclosure requirements set forth in Part II of Chapter 720. The current requirements are set forth in Exhibit A to these Bylaws.

## Exhibit A DISCLOSURE

A PROSPECTIVE PARCEL OWNER IN A COMMUNITY MUST BE presented a disclosure summary before executing the contract for sale. The disclosure summary must be in a form substantially similar to the following form:

#### DISCLOSURE SUMMARY FOR CANOPY CROSSING

- 1. AS A PURCHASER OF PROPERTY IN THIS COMMUNITY, YOU WILL BE OBLIGATED TO BE A MEMBER OF A HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION.
- 2. THERE HAVE BEEN OR WILL BE RECORDED RESTRICTIVE COVENANTS GOVERNING THE USE AND OCCUPANCY OF PROPERTIES IN THIS COMMUNITY.
- 3. YOU WILL BE OBLIGATED TO PAY ASSESSMENTS TO THE ASSOCIATION. ASSESSMENTS MAY BE SUBJECT TO PERIODIC CHANGE. IF APPLICABLE, THE CURRENT AMOUNT IS \$\_\_\_\_\_ PER\_\_\_\_\_. YOU WILL ALSO BE OBLIGATED TO PAY ANY SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS IMPOSED BY THE ASSOCIATION. SUCH SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS MAY BE SUBJECT TO CHANGE. IF APPLICABLE, THE CURRENT AMOUNT IS \$\_\_\_\_ PER\_\_\_\_.
- 4. YOU MAY BE OBLIGATED TO PAY SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS TO THE RESPECTIVE MUNICIPALITY, COUNTY, OR SPECIAL DISTRICT. ALL ASSESSMENTS ARE SUBJECT TO PERIODIC CHANGE.
- 5. YOUR FAILURE TO PAY SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS OR ASSESSMENTS LEVIED BY A MANDATORY HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION COULD RESULT IN A LIEN ON YOUR PROPERTY.
- 6. THERE MAY BE AN OBLIGATION TO PAY RENT OR LAND USE FEES FOR RECREATIONAL OR OTHER COMMONLY USED FACILITIES AS AN OBLIGATION OF MEMBERSHIP IN THE HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION. IF APPLICABLE, THE CURRENT AMOUNT IS \$\_\_\_\_\_ PER\_\_\_\_\_.
- 7. THE DEVELOPER MAY HAVE THE RIGHT TO AMEND THE RESTRICTIVE COVENANTS WITHOUT THE APPROVAL OF THE ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP OR THE APPROVAL OF THE PARCEL OWNERS.
- 8. THE STATEMENTS CONTAINED IN THIS DISCLOSURE FORM ARE ONLY SUMMARY IN NATURE, AND, AS A PROSPECTIVE PURCHASER, YOU

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SHOULD REFER TO THE COVENANTS AND THE ASSOCIATION GOVERNING DOCUMENTS BEFORE PURCHASING PROPERTY.

9. THESE DOCUMENTS ARE EITHER MATTERS OF PUBLIC RECORD AND CAN BE OBTAINED FROM THE RECORD OFFICE IN THE COUNTY WHERE THE PROPERTY IS LOCATED, OR ARE NOT RECORDED AND CAN BE OBTAINED FROM THE DEVELOPER.

DATE:		
PURCHASER:		
PURCHASER:		

The disclosure must be supplied by the developer, or by the parcel owner if the sale is by an owner that is not the developer. Any contract or agreement for sale shall refer to and incorporate the disclosure summary and shall include, in prominent language, a statement that the potential buyer should not execute the contract or agreement until they have received and read the disclosure summary required by this section.

(b) Each contract entered into for the sale of property governed by covenants subject to disclosure required by this section must contain in conspicuous type a clause that states:

IF THE DISCLOSURE SUMMARY REQUIRED BY SECTION 720.401, FLORIDA STATUTES, HAS NOT BEEN PROVIDED TO THE PROSPECTIVE PURCHASER BEFORE EXECUTING THIS CONTRACT FOR SALE, THIS CONTRACT IS VOIDABLE BY BUYER BY DELIVERING TO SELLER OR SELLER'S AGENT OR REPRESENTATIVE WRITTEN NOTICE OF THE BUYER'S INTENTION TO CANCEL WITHIN 3 DAYS AFTER RECEIPT OF THE DISCLOSURE SUMMARY OR PRIOR TO CLOSING, WHICHEVER OCCURS FIRST. ANY PURPORTED WAIVER OF THIS VOIDABILITY RIGHT HAS NO EFFECT. BUYER'S RIGHT TO VOID THIS CONTRACT SHALL TERMINATE AT CLOSING.

(c) If the disclosure summary is not provided to a prospective purchaser before the purchaser executes a contract for the sale of property governed by covenants that are subject to disclosure pursuant to this section, the purchaser may void the contract by delivering to the seller or the seller's agent or representative written notice canceling the contract within 3 days after receipt of the disclosure summary or prior to closing, whichever occurs first. This right may not be waived by the purchaser but terminates at closing.