

**CERTIFICATE OF ADOPTION  
OF  
RAINWATER HARVESTING SYSTEM GUIDELINES  
OF  
MERRYLANDS HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION**

STATE OF TEXAS           §  
                                  §       KNOW ALL PERSONS BY THESE PRESENTS:  
COUNTY OF HARRIS       §

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Directors (the "Board") of Merrylands Homeowners Association, a Texas non-profit corporation (the "Association") is charged with administering and enforcing that certain Merrylands Section One Declaration of Covenants, Conditions and Restrictions recorded in the Office of the County Clerk of Harris County, Texas, under Clerk's File No. RP-2019-124196, as may be supplemented and amended from time to time encumbering the Merrylands community (the "Community"); and

**WHEREAS**, Chapter 202 of the Texas Property Code was amended effective September 1, 2011, to add Section 202.007(d)(6) and 202.007(d)(7) (collectively "Section 202.007(d)") thereto; and

**WHEREAS**, Section 202.007(d) allows a property owners' association to adopt and enforce rules and regulations regarding rain barrel or rainwater harvesting systems (herein called "Rainwater Harvesting System" or "Rainwater Harvesting Systems"); and

**WHEREAS**, the Board has determined that in connection with providing rules and regulations regarding Rainwater Harvesting Systems, it is appropriate for the Association to adopt guidelines regarding Rainwater Harvesting Systems; and

**WHEREAS**, the Bylaws of the Association provide that a majority of the members of the Board shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business and that the action of a majority of the members of the Board at a meeting at which a quorum is present is the action of the Board; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board held a meeting on April 4, 2019 (the "Adoption Meeting"), at which at least a majority of the members of the Board were present and duly passed guidelines regarding Rainwater Harvesting Systems described herein below (the "Rainwater Harvesting System Guidelines").

**NOW, THEREFORE**, to give notice of the matters set forth herein, the undersigned, being the President of the Association, does hereby certify that at the Adoption Meeting, at least a majority of the members of the Board were present and the Board duly adopted the Rainwater Harvesting System Guidelines. The Rainwater Harvesting System Guidelines are effective upon recordation of this Certificate in the Official Public Records of Harris County, Texas (the "Official Public Records"), and supplement any restrictive covenants, guidelines or policies regarding Rainwater Harvesting Systems which may have previously been in effect for the Community,

unless such restrictive covenants, guidelines or policies are in conflict with the Rainwater Harvesting System Guidelines, in which case the terms in the Rainwater Harvesting System Guidelines will control. The Rainwater Harvesting System Guidelines are as follows:

Rainwater Harvesting Systems and all related equipment shall not be erected, constructed, placed, or permitted to remain on any lot unless they strictly comply with the following minimum conditions:

- a. The Rainwater Harvesting System and any related equipment shall not be constructed or placed or permitted to remain on property owned by the Association or between the front of the property owner's home and an adjoining or adjacent street.
- b. The color of the Rainwater Harvesting System and related equipment must be consistent with the color scheme of the property owner's house.
- c. No advertising slogans, logo, printing or illustration shall be permitted upon the Rainwater Harvesting System or related equipment, other than the standard logo, printing or illustration which may be included by the applicable manufacturer for the Rainwater Harvesting System or any related equipment.
- d. To the extent that the Rainwater Harvesting System and any related equipment is located on the side of the house or at any other location that is visible from a street, lot or common area the size, type, and shielding of, and the materials used in the construction must be submitted to the Association's Architectural Control Committee for prior written approval.
- e. Any Rainwater Harvesting System or related equipment installed hereunder shall be installed in a manner that complies with all applicable laws and regulations and manufacturer's instructions.

**EXECUTED** on the date of the acknowledgment set forth herein below, to be effective upon recordation in the Official Public Records.

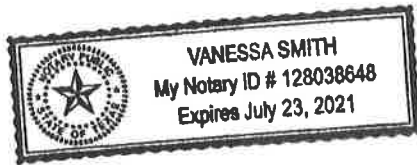
Merrylands Homeowners Association,  
a Texas non-profit corporation

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Louis Crapolino, President

THE STATE OF TEXAS   §  
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COUNTY OF HARRIS   §

This instrument was acknowledged before me on April 4, 2019, by Louis Trapolino, President of Merrylands Homeowners Association, a Texas non-profit corporation, on behalf of said entity.



Vanessa Smith  
Notary Public, State of Texas

***WHEN RECORDED, RETURN TO:***

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RECORDERS MEMORANDUM

This instrument was received and recorded electronically and any blackouts, additions or changes were present at the time the instrument was filed and recorded.

Any provision herein which restricts the sale, rental, or use of the described real property because of color or race is invalid and unenforceable under federal law.

THE STATE OF TEXAS  
COUNTY OF HARRIS

I hereby certify that this instrument was FILED in File Number Sequence on the date and at the time stamped hereon by me; and was duly RECORDED in the Official Public Records of Real Property of Harris County, Texas.



*Diane Trautman*

COUNTY CLERK  
HARRIS COUNTY, TEXAS