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STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

DECLARATION OF RESTRICTIONS

COUNTY OF MECKLENBURG

THIS DECLARATION OF RESTRICTIONS, (hereinafter "Covenants") is made this 14th day of June, 1995 by and between McDOWELL INVESTMENTS LLC, a North Carolina limited liability company (hereinafter "Developer"), and any and all persons, firms, or corporations subsequently acquiring any of the property hereinafter described.

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

Developer is developing a certain residential subdivision containing 22 Lots (hereinafter "Lot or Lots") known as MCDOWELL MEADOWS, PHASE VI - Map 1, as the same is shown on plat thereof recorded in Map Book 26 at Page 815 in the Mecklenburg County, North Carolina, Public Registry (hereinafter "Development"). Developer desires to restrict the use and occupancy of the Lots in accordance with a general plan of development as hereinafter set forth for the protection of the Lots and the future owners thereof.

NOW, THEREFORE. in consideration of the premises, Developer, for itself, its successors and assigns, hereby agrees with any and all persons, firms, or corporations and their heirs, successors and assigns acquiring any Lots in the Development that the same shall be, and are hereby, subject to the following restrictions, conditions, and Covenants relating to the use and occupancy thereof and that the same shall run with the title to the Lots and be binding on and accrue to the benefit of each owner of a Lot or any interest therein:

- 1. LAND USE AND BUILDING TYPE. All Lots in the tract shall be known and described as residential Lots. No structure shall be erected, altered, placed or permitted to remain on any residential building plot other than one detached single family dwelling, not to exceed two and one-half (2½) stories in height, and a private garage for not more than three (3) cars and other outbuildings incidental to residential use of the plot. This section shall not prevent the use of model homes and construction trailers during the construction of residences within the subdivision.
- 2. <u>BUILDING SETBACKS</u>. No building shall be erected on any Lot nearer to any street line than the building setback lines shown on the recorded map and with respect to a corner Lot, no residence or other building shall be located nearer to the side street line than the building setback

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lines shown on the recorded map. With respect to corner Lots the front Lot line shall be deemed the street line having the shorter frontage, and any residence erected on such corner Lot shall face the front Lot line or face the intersection of the front and side streets which abut the corner Lot. No building, garage, carport, or other accessory building and structure incidental to the residential use of the Lots shall be located nearer to a side Lot line or rear Lot line than permitted by Charlotte/Mecklenburg zoning ordinances. For purposes of determining compliance or noncompliance with the foregoing building line requirements, porches, terraces, caves, wing-walls, and steps extended beyond the outside wall of a structure shall not be considered as part of the structure; provided, however, that this provision shall not be construed to authorize or permit encroachment of any structure upon any easement shown on the recorded plat or reserved herein or upon any other Lot.

- 3. FENCES. No fence or wall shall be crected on any Lot closer to any street right-of-way than the building setback lines shown upon the recorded map. All fencing shall be constructed solely of wood, brick or stone masonry. Privacy fencing or screening is limited to a total height of six (6) feet and may be used only to screen the rear and/or side yard and shall be located no closer to the front building set back line for any Lot than the rear corners of the dwelling. The fencing restrictions in this paragraph and paragraph 2 hereof shall not be applicable to model homes owned by builders.
- 4. LOT AREA AND WIDTH. No residential structure shall be erected or placed on any building plot, which plot has an area of less than eight thousand 8,000) square feet or a width of less than sixty (60) feet at the front building setback line shown on the recorded map.
- 5. TEMPORARY STRUCTURES AND OFFSTREET PARKING. No residence of a temporary nature shall be erected or allowed to remain on any Lot, and no trailer, basement, shack, tent, garage, barn or any other building of a similar nature shall be used as a residence on any Lot, either temporarily or permanently. Mobile house trailers, on or off wheels, vehicles or enclosed bodies of the type which may be placed on or attached to a vehicle, known generally as "campers," commercial vehicles of any kind operated by a member of the household occupying the dwelling on the Lot and any boats and boat trailers shall not be parked on the street or within the front or side street setback lines, or nearer the street than the front corner of the dwelling on the Lot.

No vehicle of any type which is abandoned or inoperative shall be stored or kept on any Lot within this subdivision in such manner as to be seen from any other Lot or any street within this subdivision, and no automobiles or other mechanical equipment may be dismantled or allowed to accumulate on any said Lot. Vehicles shall not be parked on the sidewalk or within the dedicated street right-of-way, nor shall vehicles be parked or stored on any part of the Lot not improved for that purpose, i.e. garage, driveway, carport or parking pad. This paragraph does not preclude occasional overflow parking within the street right-of-way for guests or other reasonable purposes provided that no inconvenience is imposed on the owners of other Lots within this subdivision.

- 6. NUISANCES. No noxious or offensive trade or activity shall be carried on upon any Lot nor shall any thing be done thereon which may be or become an annoyance or nuisance to the neighborhood. No animals, livestock, or poultry of any kind shall be kept or maintained on any Lot or in any dwelling except that dogs, cats or other household pets may be kept or maintained provided that they are not kept or maintained for commercial purposes. The number of household pets generally considered to be outdoor pets such as dogs and cats shall not exceed three in number except for newborn offspring of such household pets which are under (9) months in age. No savage or dangerous animals shall be kept or maintained on any Lot or in any dwelling.
- 7. **DWELLING SIZE.** The minimum heated square footage of a dwelling on any one Lot may not be less than 950 square feet of heated area.
- 8. METAL GARAGES, CARPORTS, BUILDINGS AND ACCESSORY STRUCTURES. No metal carport or metal garage shall be erected on any Lot or attached to any residence building located on the Lot. No metal building or metal accessory structure of any kind shall be placed on any Lot. One noncommercial greenhouse may be located in the rear one quarter (1/4) of any Lot directly behind the residence. Construction of accessory buildings must conform in methods and materials to the primary residence.
- eable television (CATV) and drainage facilities are reserved as shown on the recorded map and over the rear ten (10) feet and each side five (5) feet of every Lot. Within the easements, no structure, planting or other material shall be placed or permitted to remain which may interfere with the installation and maintenance of the utilities, which may change the direction of flow of drainage channels in the easements or which may obstruct or retard the flow of water through drainage channels in the easements. The easement area of each Lot and all improvements in it shall be maintained continuously by the owner of the Lot, except for those improvements for which a public authority or utility company is responsible. The Developer reserves the right to create and impose additional easements or rights of way over any unsold Lot or Lots for street, drainage, and utility installation purposes by the recording of appropriate instruments and such shall not be constructed to invalidate any of these Covenants.
- 10. <u>SIGNS</u>. No sign of any kind shall be displayed to the public view on any Lot except one professional sign of no more than one (1) square foot, one sign of not more than five (5) square feet advertising the property for sale or rent or signs used by the builder to advertise the property during the construction and sales period.
- 11. <u>UNINTENTIONAL VIOLATIONS</u>. In the event of the unintentional violation of any of the building line restrictions set forth herein. Developer reserves the right, by and with the mutual written consent of the owner or owners for the time being of such Lot, to change the building line restriction set forth in the instrument; provided, however, that such change shall not be in

on any Lot.

violation of any provisions of the zoning provisions of the City of Charlotte or County of Mecklenburg.

No free standing radio or television transmission or reception towers, antennas, satellite dishes or discs shall be erected on a Lot. No satellite dishes or discs of any kind shall be allowed on a Lot: provided, however, one satellite dish or disc shall be allowed on each Lot if, and only if, such dish or disc is attached to rear roof structure of the residence located on such Lot and if such satellite dish or disc does not exceed nineteen (19) inches in diameter. One radio and or television antenna not exceeding ten (10) feet in height above the roofline of the residence shall be allowed to be attached to the roof structure. No above-ground swimming pool of any kind shall be constructed or placed

- and shall keep the improvements thereon in a suitable state of repair, promptly repairing any damage thereto by fire or other casualty. No clothesline may be erected or maintained on any Lot other than a clothesline located directly behind the residence. No Lot shall be used in whole or in part for storage of rubbish of any character whatsoever and no trash, rubbish, stored materials, wrecked or inoperable vehicles or similar unsightly items shall be allowed to remain on any Lot outside an enclosed structure; provided, however, that the foregoing shall not be construed to prohibit temporary deposits of trash, rubbish and other debris for collections by governmental or other similar garbage and trash removal units.
- 14. ENFORCEMENT. Enforcement shall be by proceedings at law or in equity against any person or persons violating or attempting to violate any of the Covenants, Restrictions or Conditions contained herein and the party seeking enforcement shall be entitled to either restrain or require the cure of such violation and/or to recover damages. Additionally, the party who is awarded the costs of court in any such enforcement preceding shall be entitled to payment of its reasonable attorney's fees and expenses.
- 15. <u>SEVERABILITY</u>. Invalidation of any one of these Covenants by judgment or court order shall in no way affect any of the other provisions of these Covenants which shall remain in full force and effect.
- be binding upon all parties and all persons claiming under them for a period of twenty-five (25) years from the date these Covenants are recorded; after which time said Covenants shall be automatically extended for successive periods of ten (10) years unless an instrument signed by a majority of the then owners of the Lots has been recorded, agreeing to change said Covenants in whole or in part. These Covenants may be amended during the first twenty-five (25) year period by an instrument signed by the owners of not less than eighty percent (80%) of the Lots.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Declarant has caused these presents to be executed and its seal to be hereunto affixed as of the day above stated.

McDOWELL INVESTMENTS LLC [SEAL] a North Carolina Limited Liability Company

Wanda A. Vacuer By: Betty S. McDowell-Manager

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

COUNTY OF MECKLENBURG

I. Wanda A. Wassey . a Notary Public for said County and State, do hereby certify that Betty S. McDowell, Manager of McDowell personally appeared before me this day, and being duly sworn, signed and acknowledged the due execution of the foregoing instrument on behalf of such limited liability company.

WITNESS my hand and notarial seal, this Juffe day of Jane 1995.

Wande S. Vassey

Notary Public

My Commission Expires: September State of North Carolina, County of Mecklenburg Wanda D. Vassey The foregoing certificate(s) of ___

Notary(ies) Public is/are certified to be correct.

GIBSON, REGISTER OF DEED

Deputy Register of Deeds

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