

ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

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The undersigned, being of the age of eighteen (18) years or more, does hereby make and acknowledge these Articles of Incorporation for the purpose of forming a non-profit corporation under and by virtue of the laws of the State of North Carolina.

ARTICLE I NAME

The name of the corporation is THE MEADOWS AT RICHLAND CREEK HOMEOWNER'S ASSOCIATION, INC., hereinafter called the "Association."

ARTICLE II DURATION

The duration of the Association is perpetual.

ARTICLE III **PURPOSE**

The purposes for which the Association is organized and the powers it will possess are:

- To operate without contemplating pecuniary gain or profit to the members thereof, and no part of the Association's net income shall inure to the benefit of any of its officers, directors or members or any other private individual.
- To provide for architectural control of the construction, erection and installation of b. any improvements on lots located in that residential development known as The Meadows at Richland Creek, and more particularly described below.
- To provide for the beautification and maintenance and to build and maintain facilities and improvements on the Common Area within that certain tract of land described as The Meadows at Richland Creek, and being:
 - All of that certain parcel of land shown on the plat entitled "The Meadows at (1)Richland Creek Phase 1", which appears in the Office of the Register of Deeds of Guilford County, North Carolina, in Plat Book 116, Page 117; and all of that certain parcel of land shown on the plat entitled "The Meadows at Richland Creek Phase 2", which appears in the Office of the Register of Deeds of Guilford County, North Carolina, in Plat Book 116, Page 118.

- (2) Additional land within the boundaries of that property described in Exhibit "A" attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference which may be annexed by Arappco, Inc., a North Carolina Corporation, its successors and/or assigns (hereinafter referred to as the "Declarant"), without the consent of Members of the Association within fifteen (15) years after the date of the incorporation of the Association.
- (3) Such property as may be annexed at any time with the express consent of two thirds (2/3) of the votes entitled to be cast by the Class A Members and two thirds (2/3) of the votes entitled to be cast by the Class B Members.
- d. To promote the health, safety, and welfare of the residents within the above described property and any additions thereto that may hereafter be brought within the jurisdiction of the Association for these purposes.
- e. To exercise all the powers and privileges and to perform all of the duties and obligations of the Association as set forth in that certain Declaration of Covenants, Conditions and Restrictions, hereinafter called the "Declaration," applicable to the property and recorded in the Office of the Register of Deeds of Guilford County, North Carolina, as the same may be amended from time to time.
- f. To do and perform all acts, services, functions and duties directly or indirectly connected with the commencement and continued operation of the affairs of an association of owners.
- g. To engage in any lawful act or activity and to have and to exercise any and all powers, rights and privileges which a corporation organized under the Non-Profit Corporation Act of the State of North Carolina (Chapter 55A, North Carolina General Statutes) by law may now or hereafter exercise.

ARTICLE IV MEMBERSHIP

The membership of the Association shall consist of the Declarant for so long as it shall be an Owner, and every person or entity who is a record owner of a fee or undivided fee interest in any Lot which is subject by covenants of record to assessments by the Association, including contract sellers, but excluding persons who hold an interest merely as security for performance of an obligation. Ownership of such interest shall be the sole qualification of membership. No Owner shall have more than one membership, except as expressly provided hereinafter. Membership shall be appurtenant to and may not be separated from ownership of any Lot which is subject to assessment. The Board of Directors may make reasonable rules relating to the proof of ownership of a Lot in The Meadows at Richland Creek.

ARTICLE V VOTING RIGHTS

Section 1. Classes of Memberships: The Association shall have two (2) classes of voting membership:

- a. <u>Class A.</u> Class A Members shall be all Owners as defined in Article V of the Declaration, with the exception of the Declarant. Class A Members shall be entitled to one vote for each Lot in which they hold the interest required for membership by said Article V. When more than one person or entity holds such interest in any Lot, all such persons shall be Members. The vote for such Lot shall be exercised as they among themselves determine, but in no event shall more than one (1) vote be cast with respect to any Lot and no fractional vote may be cast with respect to any Lot.
- b. <u>Class B.</u> The Class B Member shall be the Declarant. The Class B Member shall be entitled to three (3) votes for each Lot in which it holds a fee or undivided fee interest; provided, that the Class B membership shall cease and be converted to Class A membership on the happening of either of the following events, whichever occurs first:
 - 1. The total votes outstanding in the Class A Membership equals the total votes outstanding in the Class B Membership; or
 - 2. June 16, 2025.

With the recording of new Sections of The Meadows at Richland Creek, and the annexation of additional lands subject to the jurisdiction of the Association, new Class A and Class B Memberships shall be created, and the conversion of Class B Memberships to Class A Memberships shall be made separately with respect to each such section of The Meadows at Richland Creek.

ARTICLE VI BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Section 1. <u>Initial Board</u>: The affairs of the Association shall be managed by a Board of Directors, as set out in the By-Laws, who need not be Members of the Association. The initial Board shall consist of three (3) Directors. The names and addresses of the persons who are to act in the capacity of and constitute the initial Board of Directors, until the election and qualification of their successors, are:

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Address

Thomas C. Hall

1400 Battleground Avenue, Suite 122 Greensboro, North Carolina 27408

Pamela J. Anderson

1400 Battleground Avenue, Suite 122 Greensboro, North Carolina 27408



Section 2. Election and Term: At the first annual meeting, the Directors shall be elected as required by the By-Laws. The term of the Directors elected shall be as provided in the By-Laws. All Directors shall serve until their successors have been duly qualified and elected.

Section 3. Subsequent Elections. The method of election of Directors after the first election held pursuant to Section 2 hereof shall be as provided in the By-Laws.

ARTICLE VII MERGERS AND CONSOLIDATION

To the extent permitted by the law, the Association may participate in mergers and consolidations with other non-profit corporations organized for the same or similar purposes; provided, no merger or consolidation may be effectuated unless two-thirds (2/3) of each class of all the votes entitled to be cast by the membership are cast in favor of merger or consolidation at an election held for such purpose. In such event the holder of Class B voting rights shall be entitled to one vote for each Lot which it owns.

ARTICLE VIII REGISTERED AGENT AND OFFICE

The principal and initial registered office of the Association is located at 1400 Battleground Avenue, Suite 122, Greensboro, Guilford County, North Carolina 27408. M. Lee McAllister is the initial registered agent of the Association at that address.

ARTICLE IX DISSOLUTION OR INSOLVENCY

The Association may be dissolved with the assent given in writing and signed by not less than two-thirds (2/3) of each class of Members. Upon dissolution of the Association, other than incident to a merger or consolidation, the assets of the Association shall be dedicated to an appropriate public agency to be used for purposes similar to those for which the Association was created. In the event that such dedication is refused acceptance, such assets shall be granted, conveyed and assigned to any non-profit corporation, association, trust or other organization to be devoted to such similar purposes.

ARTICLE X AMENDMENTS

Section 1. Amendment by Membership: Except as herein provided, any amendment to these Articles may be accomplished with the assent of seventy five (75%) percent of all Lot Owners in The Meadows at Richland Creek, voting in person or by proxy, provided, however, that any

amendment which shall materially and adversely affect the validity or priority of the lien of or the rights of Institutional Lenders (as hereinafter defined) holding first mortgage loans on property located within The Meadows at Richland Creek shall be required to have the prior approval of such Institutional Lenders. "Institutional Lender" shall mean and refer to banks, savings and loan associations, insurance companies, other firms or entities customarily affording loans secured by first liens on residences, and other eligible insurers and governmental guarantors. Notwithstanding anything contained in this Article X, no amendment relating to the maintenance and ownership of any permanent detention ponds on any land in The Meadows at Richland Creek shall be made without review and approval by the governmental office having jurisdiction for watershed protection.

<u>Section 2.</u> Recordation: No amendment made pursuant to this section shall be effective until duly recorded in the Office of the Secretary of State of North Carolina.

ARTICLE XI INCORPORATOR

The name and address of the incorporator is as follows:

M. Lee McAllister 1400 Battleground Avenue Suite 122 Greensboro, NC 27408

ARTICLE XII HUD/VA APPROVAL

As long as there is a Class B member, the following acts will require the prior approval for compliance with established HUD or VA guidelines: Annexation of additional properties, except annexations of additional properties described in Exhibit "A" attached hereto effected pursuant to Article VIII of the Declaration, merger, consolidation, mortgaging of Common Area, dedication of Common Area, dissolution and amendment of these Articles, such approval not to be unreasonably withheld.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, for the purpose of forming this non-profit corporation under the laws of the State of North Carolina, the undersigned, as incorporator, has executed these Articles of Incorporation this 6 day of 5/10, 1995.

M. Lee McAllister, Incorporator

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MCALLISTER personally appeared before me this de	ay and acknow	ledged th	e due exe	cution (of the
foregoing instrument.					

This 62 day of Sely 1995.

Carolyn P. Shupe Notary Public

My Commission Expires:

EXHIBIT A

Beginning at a rebar located in the northwestern right-of-way line of Lake Jeanette Road (S.R. #2347, 60' R/W), said beginning point being the easternmost corner of certain Common Area shown on that plat of Woodridge, Section 3A, recorded in Plat Book 62, Page 102, in the Guilford County Registry, and said beginning point being located North 45° 52' 46" East approximately 134.47 feet from the point of intersection of the northwestern right-of-way line of Lake Jeanette Road with the northeastern right-of-way line of Cottage Place, and from said Point of Beginning thence with the eastern line of Woodridge, Section 3A, as recorded in Plat Book 62, Page 102 and thence with the eastern line of Woodridge, Section 3B, as recorded in Plat Book 63, Page 39, and thence with the eastern line of Woodridge, Section 7, Map 3, as recorded in Plat Book 78, Page 122 North 18° 32' 08" West 1275.03 feet to an iron pipe; thence North 88° 49' 36" West 582.50 feet to a stone; thence North 06° 14' 30" West 497.81 feet to an iron pipe; thence South 81° 19' 16" West 802.12 feet to an iron pipe; thence North 86° 14' 24" West 778.34 feet to an iron pipe; thence North 02° 55' 41" East 27.78 feet to an iron pipe; thence North 02° 55' 42" East 55.90 feet to an iron pipe, thence North 88° 28' 01" East 1144.47 feet to an iron pipe, thence North 87° 08' 16" East 414.68 feet to an iron pipe; thence North 87° 08' 15" East 987.07 feet to an iron pipe; thence North 86° 16' 38" East 1001.11 feet to an iron pipe; thence North 89° 00' 44" East 290.04 feet to an iron pipe; thence South 83° 14' 55" East 323.24 feet to an iron pipe; thence South 29° 28' 33" West 52.84 feet to an iron pipe; thence South 31° 32' 29" West 112.72 feet to an iron pipe; thence South 37° 57' 35" West 323.08 feet to an iron pipe; thence South 45° 30' 31" West 144.25 feet to an iron pipe; thence North 43° 16' 03" West 232.14 feet to an iron pipe; thence South 46° 43' 32" West 327 feet to an iron pipe; thence South 43° 16' 03" East 254.97 feet to an iron pipe; thence along a curve to the left a chord bearing and distance of South 40° 38' 57" West 348.36 feet to an iron pipe; thence South 35° 41' 54" West 500.30 feet to an iron pipe; thence along a curve to the right a chord bearing and distance of South 40° 48' 45" West 378.26 feet to an iron pipe; and thence South 45° 55' 36" West 239.10 feet to an iron pipe, the point of beginning, being 52.174 acres, more or less; the above described property is further shown on that Preliminary Site Plan of The Meadows at Richland Creek dated December 5, 1994, prepared by Evans Engineering Incorporated; together with any property located between the southeastern property line of the above described property and the centerline of Lake Jeanette Road.