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#### **Exhibits**

Exhibit A.....The Property Exhibit B.....By-laws Exhibit C.....(blank) Exhibit D.....Walk-Through Parcel hibit E...

Cook County Clark's Office Exhibit E.....Real Estate Owned by Adjacent Owners

THIS DECLARATION is made and entered into by Brookfield Development Group, L.L.C., an Illinois limited liability company, (hereinafter referred to as "Declarant"). This Declaration supersedes the Declaration recorded as document no. 0630317073 with the Cook County Recorder of Deeds.

#### WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, Declarant is the owner and legal title holder of certain real estate in the Village of Brookfield, County of Cook, State of Illinois, which real estate is legally described in Exhibit A artached hereto and by this reference made a part hereof; and

warreas, Declarant presently intends to develop a parcel of land which will contain a development containing Dwelling Units, as hereinafter defined, together with certain common areas which will require uniformity and continuing care and maintenance for the privacy, benefit and enjoyment of all persons owning and residing in the Dwelling Units on the Property, as hereinafter defined ("Development"); and

WHEREAS, the Declarant has deemed it desirable for the efficient preservation of the values and amenities of the processed development to create an entity to which shall be delegated and assigned the powers of owning, maintaining and administering the Common Area, as hereinafter described and defined, and administering and enforcing the covenants and restrictions hereinafter contained and created; and

WHEREAS, there has been incorporated under the laws of the State of Illinois, as a not-for-profit corporation, Prairie Square Homeowners' Association for the purpose of exercising the functions aforesaid; and

WHEREAS, the Declarant desires to establish for its own benefit and the mutual benefit of all future owners, tenants and occupants of the aforesaid development and real estate and any part thereof, certain easements or rights in, over, under, upon and along said development and real estate and certain mutually beneficial restrictions and obligations with respect to the use, conduct and maintenance thereof:

NOW, THEREFORE, the Declarant hereby declares that only the real estate described in Exhibit "A" shall be transferred, held, sold, conveyed and accepted subject to this Declaration of Covenants, Conditions, Restrictions and Easements. The Declarant does hereby further declare that the following easements, covenants, restrictions, conditions and burdens, uses, privileges, charges and liens shall: (1) exist at all times hereafter amongst all parties having or acquired right, title or interest in any portions of the real estate; (2) be binding upon and inure to the benefit of each Owner (as hereinafter defined); and (3) run with the land subjected to this Declaration, to be held, sold and conveyed subject thereto.

## ARTICLE I DEFINITIONS

- Section 1.01. "Adjacent Owners" shall mean and refer to the owners of units and common elements in and on the real estate legally described on Exhibit "E" attached hereto, which real estate abuts the Property along its southern border. All rights and liabilities of the Adjacent Owners created by this Declaration shall be exercised and discharged by the association created with respect to the ownership of the Adjacent Owners.
- Section 1.02. "Association" shall mean and refer to Prairie Square Homeowners Association, an Illinois not-for-profit corporation. Said corporation shall be the governing body for all the Owners with respect to the administration, maintenance, repair and replacement of the Common Area as provided by this Declaration and the By-Laws.
- Section 1.03. "Board" shall mean the Board of Directors of the Association as constituted at any time or from time to time, in accordance with the applicable provision of Article III.
- Section 1.04. "By-Laws" shall mean the By-Laws of Prairie Square Homeowners' Association, a copy of which is attached as Exhibit "B" hereto and by this reference made a part hereof.
- Section 1.05. "Common Area" shall mean the real property owned by the Association for the common use and enjoyment of all members of the Association, except for those portions reserved for the exclusive use of certain Owners as hereinafter set forth and such uses thereto by way of easement or other grant from the Declarant, the Association or others as may be granted to or by the Association for the common use and enjoyment of the Owners. The Common Area to be conveyed to and owned by the Association is delineated and marked "Private Drive" on the Plat of Subdivision. The Common Area shall include such additions thereto as may hereafter be brought within the jurisdiction of or conveyed to the Association. The Common Area shall be maintained by the Association. An easement is hereby granted to the Association for ingress and egress over such portions of the Property as may be necessary for the maintenance and repair of the Common Area.
- Section 1.06. "Common Expense" shall mean the proposed or actual expenses affecting the Common Area lawfully assessed by the Board.
- Section 1.07. "Declarant" shall mean and refer to Brockfeld Development Group, L.L.C., an Illinois limited liability company, its successors and assigns.
- <u>Section 1.08</u>. "Declarant Rights" shall mean any and all rights, powers and privileges reserved, granted or otherwise provided for herein which may be exercised by, or which benefit only, the Declarant.
- Section 1.09. "Declaration" shall mean this Prairie Square Declaration of Covenants, Conditions, Restrictions and Easements.
- Section 1.10. "Dwelling Unit" shall mean a residential housing unit on the Property consisting of a group of rooms and which are designed or intended for the exclusive use as living quarters for one Family, as hereinafter defined.

Section 1.11 "Eligible Mortgage Holder" shall mean each holder of a first mortgage on a Lot or Dwelling Unit that has requested in writing that the Association notify it of any proposed action that requires consent of a specified percentage of mortgage holders.

Section 1.12. "Family" shall mean one or more persons each related to the other by blood, marriage, or legal adoption, or a group of not more than two (2) persons not all so related, together with his or their domestic servants, maintaining a common household in a Dwelling Unit.

Section 1.13. "Lots" shall mean and refer to a platted Lot or a portion of a platted Lot designated as such upon any recorded subdivision plat of the Property or any portion thereof upon which an individual Dwelling Unit is constructed or to be constructed. Portions of the Property designated as Outlots ("Outlots"), if any, in the recorded subdivision plat of the Property shall not be deemed "Lots" for the purpose of this Declaration.

"Material Amendment" shall mean any amendment to the Section 1.14 Declaration, By-Laws or the Association's Articles of Incorporation that would change any of the following in a manner other than as expressly provided herein: voting rights in the Association: assessments, assessment liens, assessment liens; reserves for maintenance, repair and replacement of the Common Area; responsibility for the maintenance and repair of the Common Area; allocation of interests in the Common Area, or rights to use the Common Area; boundaries of any Lot or Dwelling Unit; convertibility of Lots into Common Area, or convertibility of Common Area into Lco, expansion or contraction of the Property, or the addition, annexation or withdrawal of property from the Property; insurance or fidelity bonds; leasing of Dwelling Units; imposition of any restrictions on an Owner's right to sell or transfer his or her Lot or Dwelling Unit; a decision by the Association to establish self-management when professional management had previously been required by an Eligible Mortgage Holder; requirements for the restoration or repair of the Property, termination of the legal status of the Association or the Property following substantial destruction or condemnation; or any provisions that expressly benefit holders, insurers or guarantors of mortgages secured by portions of the Property.

Section 1.15. "Member" shall mean and refer to any person or entity who holds membership in the Association.

Section 1.16. "Occupant" shall mean any person or persons other than the Owner in possession of a Dwelling Unit.

Section 1.17. "Owner" shall mean and refer to the record owner, whether one or more persons or entities, of a fee simple title to any Lot, as hereinafter defined, including contract sellers, but excluding those having such interest merely as security for the performance of an obligation. The term "Owner" shall include the Declarant to the extent of the number of Lots owned by Declarant and also includes the interest of the Declarant as contract seller of any Lot.

Section 1.18. "Plat of Subdivision" shall mean and refer to the Plat of the Alex Troyanovsky Subdivision, recorded with the Cook County Recorder of Deeds as Document No. 0613734084.

Section 1.19. "Property" shall mean and refer to that certain real estate described in Exhibit "A".

Section 1.20. "Structure" shall mean any building or other improvement erected and constructed, the use of which requires more or less permanent location on or in the ground or attached to something having a permanent location on or in the ground.

Section 1.21. "Transfer Date" shall mean the date which is the earlier of: (i) five (5) years after the first Lot is conveyed to an Owner other than the Declarant, or (ii) upon written notice of election by Declarant to the Association as of the date specified in said notice or (iii) upon the sale and conveyance of seventy-five percent (75%) of the Lots to bona-fide purchasers other than those Owners to whom Declarant Rights have been assigned.

Section 1.22. "Village" shall mean the Village of Brookfield, a municipal corporation, its exceed and appointed officials, officers, agents and employees.

Section 1.23. "Walk-Through Parcel" shall mean and refer to that certain parcel of real estate described in Exhibit "D" attached hereto, and incorporated herein by this reference as though fully set forth in this document. The Walk-Through Parcel is intended to provide pedestrian access to the real estate owned by the Adjacent Owners, their invitees and licensees.

# ARTICLE II MEMSTRSHIP

Every person or entity who is a record owner of a fee or undivided fee interest in any Lot shall automatically be a member of the Association. The foregoing is not intended to include persons or entities who hold an interest merely as security for the performance of an obligation. No Owner shall have more than one membership. Membership shall be appurtenant to and may not be separated from ownership of any Lot which is subject to assessment by the Association. Ownership of such Lot shall be the sole qualification of membership. Nothing herein contained shall be interpreted to exclude Declarant from membership while it or its successors in interest, if any, owns one or more Lots. Voting rights with regard to each Member are set forth in Article III hereof.

# ARTICLE III VOTING RIGHTS AND BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Section 3.01. The Association shall have two classes of voting membership:

Class A. Class A Members shall be all those Owners as defined in Article II, provided that the Declarant shall not be a Class A Member until the Transfer Date. Class A Members shall be entitled to one vote for each Lot in which they hold the interest required for membership by Article II. When more than one person 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 vote be cast with respect to any Lot. All Members holding any interest in a single Lot shall together be entitled to cast only one vote for the Lot.

<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 the interest required for membership by Article II, provided that the Class B membership shall cease and be converted to Class A membership on the Transfer Date.

<u>Section 3.02</u>. The provisions of Section 3.01 hereof shall be mandatory. No owner of any interest in any Lot shall have any right or power to disclaim, terminate or withdraw from his membership in the Association or any of his obligations as such Member, and no purported disclaimer, termination or withdrawal thereof or therefrom on the part of any such owner shall be of any force or effect for any purpose.

Section 3.03. The Association shall have a Board of not less than three (3) Directors who shall be elected by the Members of the Association at such intervals as the corporate charter and By-Laws of the Association shall provide, except that vacancies in the Board occurring between regularly scheduled meetings of the Members may be filled by the Board by majority to the if so provided by the articles of incorporation or By-Laws and that the first Board may be appointed by the Declarant and shall be three (3) in number. The Association shall have such officers as shall be appropriate from time to time, who shall be elected by the Board who shall manage and conduct the affairs of the Association under the direction of the Board. Except as expressly otherwise provided by the Association's articles of incorporation, this Declaration or the By-Laws, all power and authority to act on behalf of the Association both pursuant to this Declaration and otherwise shall be vested in its Board from time to time and its officers under the direction of the Board, and shall not be subject to any requirement of approval on the part of its Members. The articles of incorporation and By-Laws of the Association may include such provisions for the protection and indemnification of its officers and directors as shall be permissible by law.

Section 3.04. The Association, being a not-for-profit corporation, shall not distribute to its Members any sums in the nature of dividend, up on its shares. To the extent that funds shall not be required for current expenditures or for such reserves, the next monthly assessments may, in the discretion of the Board, be eliminated or the amount thereof appropriately reduced. Such reduction shall not prevent reinstatement of or increase in such assessments when required.

Section 3.05. Whenever possible, the Association shall perform its functions and carry out its duties by entering into agreements for the performance thereof with such persons and business entities regularly engaged in the performance of generally similar functions and duties as the Board shall determine, which agreements shall be for such length of time, at such rates of compensation and upon such other terms and provisions as the Board shall determine from time to time. Such persons or business entities may, but need not, be persons or business entities owning or otherwise directly or indirectly interested in the Property or any part thereof. The Association itself shall also have power to perform its functions and carry out its duties.

<u>Section 3.06</u>. The Association, through the resolutions of the Board, shall have the right to adopt rules and regulations governing the Lots and Common Area and the use thereof provided, however, that no rule or regulation shall conflict with the Declaration or any applicable laws, ordinances or codes.

<u>Section 3.07</u>. A copy of this Declaration, the By-Laws and the Association's books, records and financial statements to be kept by the Board shall be available for inspection by any Owner or any representative of an Owner duly authorized in writing, the Village, or any holder, insurer or guarantor of a first mortgage lien on a Lot at such reasonable time or times during the normal business hours as may be requested by the Owner or by the holder of said first mortgage lien.

# ARTICLE IV PROVISIONS RELATING TO THE COMMON AREA

Section 4.01 Every Owner shall have a right and easement in, over, upon and to the Commor Area for purposes of vehicular and pedestrian ingress and egress and use of the open spaces and other common facilities and the Common Area shall be held for the use and benefit of each Owner, and such easement shall be appurtenant to and shall pass with the title to every Lot subject to the following provisions:

- (a) The right of the Association to dedicate or transfer all or any part of the Common Area to any public agency, authority, or utility for such purposes and subject to such conditions as may be agreed to by the Owners. No such dedication or transfer shall be effective unless an instrument signed by Owners entitled to cast one hundred (100%) of the votes to the Class B membership, if any, has been recorded, agreeing to such dedication or transfer. In the event Class B membership has ceased, then one hundred percent (100%) of the votes to the Class A membership shall be required to make such dedication or transfer effective.
- (b) As part of the overall program of development of the Property into a residential community and to encourage the marketing and construction thereof, the Developer and its contractors, subcontractors, and their respective agents and employees shall, for sales and construction purposes only, have the right of use of certain Lots and the Common Area and facilities thereof without charge during the sales and construction period on the Property for and in its construction and marketing, efforts.

Section 4.02 An irrevocable license and easement is hereby granted to the Village and police, fire, water, health and other authorized officials, employees and vehicles of the Village, to go upon the Common Area at any time and from time to time for the purpose of performance of official duties and for the purpose of enforcing this Declaration and all Village ordinances, rules and regulations, and the statutes of the State of Illinois and the United States. In addition, duly designated officials and employees of the Village are hereby granted an easement to enter upon, on and over the Common Area for the purposes of maintaining (although the Village has no duty to do so), except as otherwise provided hereunder, the storm water detention area, drainage systems, storm and sanitary sewers, water mains, streets, sidewalks and any other utility or public service and to correct or eliminate nuisances or violations resulting from the failure to exercise maintenance responsibilities by the Declarant or its successors and assigns, any Owner or the Association, as applicable. Except in the event of emergency situations, the Village shall serve written notice upon the Association setting forth the manner in which the Association has failed to comply with its obligations under this Declaration under any source of law. Said notice shall include a demand that such deficiency be cured within said thirty (30) days from the date such notice is received. If such deficiency has not been cured

within said thirty (30) days or any extension thereof granted by the Village, the Village may exercise said easement by entering the Common Area and performing such maintenance or repair. Upon failure to pay such expenses, the Village may place a lien of record against the Common Area for the expenses and costs, including reasonable attorneys fees, in enforcing such obligations. The Association shall reimburse the Village from all expenses incurred by it in performing such maintenance or repair. Said easement shall be exercised only to the extent and for such period of time that the maintenance or repair is required to accomplish the purpose hereinabove mentioned. It is the intention of this Section 4.02 to provide that the obligation for maintenance and repair of all those portions of the water, storm water and sanitary sewers that are not dedicated and accepted by the Village as public services, shall be the Association's as a Common Expense. The Village shall be under no obligation to exercise the rights herein granted except as it shall determine to be in its best interest. No failure to exercise any right herein granted to the Village shall be construed as a waiver of that or any other rights, nor subject the Village to any loss or damage. This provision may not be amended without the prior written approval of the Village.

- Section 4.93 Any Owner may delegate, in accordance with the By-Laws, his right of ingress and egress to the Common Area to the members of his family, occupants, guests, invitees, or contract purchasers who reside on the Property.
- Section 4.04 The Declarant hereby covenants for itself, its successors and assigns, that it will convey fee simple title to the Common Area to the Association subject, however, to the provisions of Section 4.01 (a) hereof. Declarant shall reserve, upon conveyance to the Association of the Common Area, a perpetual and non-exclusive easement for egress and ingress in, to and from each Lot which it shall grant to each Lot upon the conveyance thereof.
- Section 4.05 Declarant, its agents, enrioyees, guests and invitees shall have the right and easement of ingress and egress in, over, uncer under and across the Common Area for sales and construction purposes until Declarant has conveyed all of the Lots to the purchasers thereof.
- Section 4.06 (a) The Association shall have the right and duty to build, repair and maintain the Common Area.
- (b) The Association shall have the right of ingress and egress over and upon the Common Area for any and all purposes in connection with the use, maintenance, construction, operation, repair and reconstruction of the Common Area
- (c) The Association, through resolutions of the Board, shall have the right to adopt rules and regulations governing the use, maintenance and administration of the Common Area and for the health, comfort, safety and general welfare of persons using the Common Area.
- Section 4.07 Notwithstanding any provisions herein to the contrary, the easements herein created shall be subject to:
- (a) The right of Declarant to execute all documents and do all other acts and things affecting the Property which, in the Declarant's judgment, are reasonably necessary to develop the Property.

(b) Easements of record on the date hereof, including those easements granted on the Plat of Subdivision for the Property recorded in the Office of the Recorder of Cook County, Illinois, and any easements which may hereafter be granted by Declarant or the Association to any public utilities or governmental bodies for the installation and maintenance of electrical and telephone conduit and lines, gas pipes, sewers or water mains and pipes, or any other utility services serving any Lot and to any provider of cable television service.

<u>Section 4.08</u> Nothing contained in this Declaration shall be construed or be deemed to constitute a dedication, express or implied, of any part of the Common Area to or for the public use or purpose whatsoever.

with public utilities and municipal services are hereby granted to Com Ed, Northern Illinois Gas Company, SBC, the Village, and all other suppliers of utilities serving the Common Area and the respective successors and assigns, jointly and severally to install, lay, construct, renew, operate, maintain or remove, from time to time, conduits, cables, pipes, wire transformers, switching apparatus and other facilities and appurtenances used in connection with serving the Common Area and adjacent property with telephone communications, electric, sewer, gas, water, drainage, cable television, or other municipal services, upon, across and under the Common Area; provided, however, that all such public utilities shall be installed underground. Notwithstanding any code or ordinance provision which may provide otherwise, no public utility shall be installed over-the-ground and nothing herein shall be deemed or construed as permitting over-the-ground utilities.

Section 4.10 All areas of and facinties upon the Common Area, including, but not limited to, all open space, and all landscaping shall be maintained by the Association in such a manner as to ensure the proper use and functioning of such areas as facilities as originally designated and/or constructed. In addition, all landscaping casements and all entry monuments located upon individual Lots for which easements have been granted to the Association shall be maintained by the Association, except as otherwise provided herein.

Section 4.11. An easement for pedestrian ingress and gress is herby declared over the Walk-Through Parcel, for the benefit of only the Adjacent Owners, their invitees and licensees, for pedestrian access to Prairie Avenue and Vernon Avenue. The incintenance and repair of this easement and the walkway over which the easement area is declared shall be borne by the Adjacent Owners.

## ARTICLE V MAINTENANCE OF DWELLING UNITS

Each Owner shall have the obligation to maintain in good condition and repair the exteriors of the Dwelling Units including, without limitation, garage exteriors, roofs, siding and trim, gutters and downspouts, patio areas, if any, and wooden decks, if any, and such other portions of individual Lots, including, without limitation, landscaping, plantings, ground cover and the maintenance of landscaping located upon the Village's right of way and parkways adjoining each respective Lot. The Association shall determine the need for and shall carry out

or cause to be performed all such maintenance and repair of all gas, telephone and electrical lines that service more than one Dwelling Unit. The Association shall, in addition, be responsible for the proper maintenance of all paving, snow removal and shoulder maintenance of the Common Area including, but not limited to the proper maintenance of all curb cuts and points of access of the Common Area to public roads and streets. The obligations of the Association as contained in this Section 5.01 shall be limited, however, to the extent that there are funds available in the Association's account from the assessments collected pursuant to Article VI hereof.

In addition, in the event an individual Lot is subject to an easement to the Association for the installation and maintenance of an entry monument, the landscaping in connection with such entry monument shall be watered by such Owner at his expense as required at the direction of the Association.

# ARTICLE VI COVENANTS FOR MAINTENANCE ASSESSMENTS

Section 6.01. The Declarant, for each Lot owned within the Property, hereby covenants, and each Owner of any Lot by acceptance of a deed therefor, whether or not it shall be so expressed in such deed or other conveyance, is deemed to covenant and agree to pay to the Association: (1) annual assessments to be fixed, established and collected from time to time as hereinafter provided, and (2) special assessments to be fixed, established and collected from time to time as hereinafter provided. The annual and special assessments, together with such interest thereon and costs of collection thereof, as he einafter provided, shall be a charge on the land and shall be a continuing lien upon the Lot against which each such assessment is made. Each such assessment, together with such interests, costs and reasonable attorney's fees, shall also be the personal obligation of the person who was the Owner of such Lot at the time when the assessment fell due.

Section 6.02. The assessments levied by the Association shall be used exclusively for the purpose of promoting the health, safety, and welfare of the residents in the Property and in particular for the improvement and maintenance of the Common Area, and such other portions of the Property as required hereunder. Such uses shall include, but are not limited to, the cost to the Association of all taxes, insurance, repair, replacement and maintenance of the Common Area. If any other charges required by this Declaration or that the Board shall determine to be necessary or desirable to meet the primary purpose of the Association, including the establishment and maintenance of a reserve fund for repair, maintenance, replacements, taxes, and other charges as specified herein which benefit the Common Area are directly charged to any Owner, the Association will reimburse such Owner for any such expense. The Board reserves the right to levy additional assessments against any Owner to reimburse it for excessive use by such Owner of any utility service, the expense of which is charged to the maintenance fund. At the time of closing of the sale of each Lot by the Declarant, if the sale contract for such Lot between the Declarant and the Owner so provides, the Owner shall pay an amount as provided in such contract which shall be used and applied as a working capital fund or advance expense assessment in the manner herein provided. Furthermore, no provision of this Declaration shall be construed to require the payment by the Association of real estate taxes on any Lot upon which a Dwelling Unit is constructed and a portion of the Common Area is located.

Section 6.03. The Board, at its option, shall be authorized to fix the annual assessment in an amount sufficient to meet the costs and expenses as contained in Section 6.02 hereof.

Section 6.04. In addition to the annual assessments authorized above, the, Association may levy in any assessment year a special assessment applicable to that year only, for the purpose of defraying, in whole or in part, the cost of any construction or reconstruction, unexpected repair, maintenance or replacement of a described capital improvement upon the Common Area, including the necessary fixtures and personal property related thereto, if any.

Section 6.05. Except as otherwise provided in Sections 3.01 and 6.02 above, and elsewhere in this Declaration, both annual and special assessments, if any, must be equally apportioned among all Lots, in accordance with applicable law, and shall be collected on a monthly basis of as otherwise directed by the Association, except to the extent otherwise provided by applicable law, for certain Lots as provided in Section 6.09.

Section 6.96. The annual assessments provided for herein, at the option of the Board, shall commence for all Lots within the Property on the first day of the month following the conveyance of the first Lot, accept as otherwise provided in Section 6.09 hereof. The Board shall fix the amount of the annual assessment, if any, against each Lot at least thirty (30) days in advance of each annual assessment period and in lieu thereof, the amount of the prior year's annual assessment shall be the fixed amount. Written notice of any changed amount of annual assessment shall be due on the first day of the month immediately preceding the effective date of the changed assessment. An Owner shall are be liable for payment of the full monthly assessment, if any, on the 1st day of the month following conveyance of title to him. The Association shall upon demand at any time furnish a certificate in writing signed by an officer or agent of the Association setting forth whether the assessments on a specified Lot have been paid and, if not paid, the amount of any such deficiency. Such certificate shall be conclusive evidence of payment of any assessment therein.

Section 6.07. Any assessments which are not paid when due shall be delinquent. Such assessments, interest and all costs of collection shall be a continuing lien upon the Lot against which each such assessment was made. If the assessment is not paid within thirty (30) days after the due date, the assessment shall bear interest from the date of delinquency at the rate allowed by law, and 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 respective Lot and interest, costs and reasonable attorneys fees of any such action shall be added to the amount of such assessment. Each Owner, by his acceptance of a deed to a Lot, hereby expressly vests in the Association, or its agents, the right and power to bring all actions against such Owner personally for the collection of such charges as a debt, and to enforce the aforesaid lien by all methods available for the enforcement of such liens, including foreclosure by an action brought in the name of the Association in a like manner as a mortgage or deed of trust lien on real property.

Section 6.08. Any lien which has been or will be created pursuant to the terms and conditions of this Declaration shall (a) be subordinate to the lien of any first mortgage which is placed upon the Property or a Dwelling Unit, and (b) not be effective unless a written notice and claim for said lien is recorded in the Office of the Recorder of Cook County, Illinois which notice shall set forth (i) the address of the lienor, (ii) the amount of the lien, and (iii) the Section of this Declaration under which the lienor is claiming the lien. Any sale or transfer of all or any

portion of the Property or Dwelling Unit pursuant to a mortgage foreclosure affecting any portion of the Property, Lot or Dwelling Unit shall extinguish any existing lien or the right to lien which arose prior to the sale or transfer. Notwithstanding any other terms and conditions of this Declaration, this Section may not be amended or deleted without the written approval of all first mortgage lien holders, which consent shall be recorded in the Office of the Recorder of Cook County, Illinois. The foregoing shall not apply, however, to liens of governmental entities.

Section 6.09. To the extent allowed by applicable law, with regard to any unimproved Lots owned by Declarant or Lots upon which Dwelling Units are being constructed or have been completed and title has not been conveyed by Declarant, the assessment respecting any such Lot shall be limited to the aggregate amount of actual operating expenses from time to time required to be paid with respect to such Lot provided, however, that in the event Declarant enters into a lease or installment contract for any Lot, then Declarant shall, as of the first day of such lease or con ract, be responsible for the payment of all assessments on those Lots on the same basis as any other Owner as provided in this Article. Actual operating expenses shall mean those ordinary expenses attributable only to the period in question covering the maintenance and operation of the Property and shall not include capital expenditures, amounts set aside as a reserve for contingencies or replacements, repair items or inventory items to the extent attributable to subsequent periods. The Declarant hereby agrees to satisfy any deficit or shortage in the Association's operating buriget for any period in which the Declarant has paid reduced assessments pursuant to this Section 6.09, provided, however, that the Declarant's liability hereunder shall not exceed the amount by which the Declarant's assessments have been reduced below the assessments of each other Owner by reason of this Section 6.09.

Section 6.10. The Association may elect to collect the annual assessment in one payment due on or before January 31<sup>st</sup> of each year.

# ARTICLE VII INSURANCE

Section 7.01. The Association shall be responsible for procuring and maintaining comprehensive public liability insurance, including liability for injuries to and death of persons in an amount not less than One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000.00) per occurrence, in such limits as it shall deem desirable, and other liability insurance as it may deem desirable, insuring the Association from liability in connection with the use and/or ownership of the Common Area. The liability policy shall also name as insured the Association's agents, officers, and directors and such additional parties as the Association shall determine.

Section 7.02. The Association shall be further responsible for maintaining such policies of insurance for the Common Area against loss or damage by fire and such other hazards contained in a customary "all risk" policy only if and as such insurance is reasonably necessary, and provided that such policies shall provide that such policies may not be canceled or substantially modified without at least thirty (30) days written notice to the Association and provide for coverage in the amount of one hundred (100%) percent of current full replacement value, if available. Replacement cost, if applicable, shall be determined annually by an independent appraiser or by a method acceptable to the insurance company providing such coverage.

<u>Section 7.03</u>. The Association shall be responsible for procuring and maintaining Directors and Officers Liability in such limits as it shall deem desirable.

<u>Section 7.04</u>. The Association may also obtain such other kinds of insurance as the Association shall from time to time deem prudent in such amounts as the Association shall deem desirable.

Section 7.05. Each Owner shall procure and maintain in full force at all times insurance covering his Dwelling Unit consisting of, or providing all the protections afforded by, the insurance now generally described in an "all risk" policy to one hundred (100%) percent of the full insurable value thereof, with loss payable on the basis of the cost of replacement without deduction for depreciation, less a deductible amount of no more than one thousand (\$1,000.00) dollars and naming the Association as an additional insured on each policy. Such insurance shall be written by companies reasonably acceptable to the Association. A certificate of insurance evidencing such coverage shall be furnished to the Association and new certificates evidencing the renewal of each expiring policy of insurance shall be furnished to the Association in each case at least ten (10) days prior to the expiration date of the expiring insurance. In the event a Dwelling Unit or any portion thereof shall be damaged or destroyed by fire or any other casualty and the Owner thereof shall cause it to be repaired, restored or reconstructed, as the case may be, the repairs, restoration or reconstruction shall be in the same architectural style and design as was originally constructed and shall conform in all respects to all applicable laws or ordinances in force at the time of such repair, restoration or reconstruction.

Section 7.06. In the event of such damage or destruction of a Dwelling Unit, the owner and the holder of the mortgage encumbering said Dwelling Unit shall cause the proceeds of any insurance required pursuant to Section 7.05 hereof to be utilized in restoring the Dwelling Unit pursuant to the terms of this Article VII.

# ARTICLE VIII INTERIM PROCEDURE

Section 8.01. Until each of the various Lots shall have been conveyed by the Declarant to the first Owner thereof (or to such Owner's nominee), the Declarant shall, with respect to each such unsold Lot, have all the rights granted to and obligations reprosed upon the Owners.

Section 8.02. Until the initial meeting of the Members, the Declarant (or its designees) may exercise all rights and powers vested in the Board hereunder, and may exercise the same powers and authority as given to the Board generally.

<u>Section 8.03</u>. The powers granted to the Declarant by Section 8.02 hereof shall include, without limitation, the power to assess upon and collect from the individual Owners, their respective proportionate shares of the funds required for the carrying out of all the duties and obligations of the Association.

# ARTICLE IX RESTRICTIONS RELATING TO PROPERTY

<u>Section 9.01</u>. No Structure, landscaping or other improvement shall be commenced or allowed on any portion of the Property unless it complies with the provisions of this Declaration. All Structures on the Property shall be of new construction.

Section 9.02. The Lots shall be used only for residential purposes, as a private residence, and no professional, business or commercial use shall be made of the same or any portion thereof, nor shall any resident's use of a Lot endanger the health or disturb the reasonable enjoyment of any other Owner or resident, except that professional and quasi-professional persons may use their residence as an ancillary or secondary facility to an office elsewhere. The foregoing restrictions as to residence shall not, however, be construed in such manner as to prohibit a resident from: (a) maintaining his personal professional library; (b) keeping his personal business or professional records or accounts; or (c) handling his personal business or professional teerhone calls or correspondence. Such uses are expressly declared customarily incident to the principal residential use and not in violation of said restrictions. This Section 9.02 shall also not be deemed to prohibit an Owner from caring for no more than four (4) unrelated children at any time within such Owner's Dwelling Unit, provided that such Owner has satisfied all local and state licensing requirements.

Section 9.03. No Structures (except as otherwise permitted by the By-laws) other than a detached residence for a single family occupancy and detached garage shall be constructed on each Lot. No tool or storage sheds, satellite dishes (except as allowed under applicable law), animal houses or dog runs (unless approved by the Board) or other structures (except the single family residence and detathed garage referred to in the preceding sentence) shall be constructed on any Lot. Any storage facilities or accessory buildings must be attached to the Dwelling Unit and match the style and siding of the Dwelling Unit, and meet all applicable codes and obtain the approval of the Architectural Review Committee. No permanent basketball structures shall be permitted. There shall be no construction on any Lot which results in a building or structure inconsistent with the general architectural design and aesthetic flavor of either (a) the Dwelling Unit on such Lot or (b) the remainder of the Dwelling Units on the Property. In addition, any construction undertaken upon any Lot wast be completed within nine (9) months of the date of commencement of said construction.

Section 9.04. All Structures shall be constructed in accordance with applicable governmental building codes and zoning ordinances of the Village. If and to the extent there is any conflict between this Declaration and the provisions of any ordinances, codes, rules and regulations of the Village, such conflict shall be resolved by the application of the more stringent provision as between this Declaration and such ordinance, code, rules and regulations of the Village.

<u>Section 9.05</u>. Except as otherwise provided by Section 9.07 hereof, no structure of a temporary character, trailer, basement, tent, shack, barn or other outbuilding shall be used as a residence or for any other purpose, either temporarily or permanently.

Section 9.06. No advertising sign (except one "For Sale" sign not exceeding 2' x 2' in size), billboards, unsightly objects, or nuisances shall be erected, placed or permitted to remain on any Dwelling Unit or Lot, except as provided in Section 9.07 hereof and except that during the two (2) week period prior to and during the one (1) week period subsequent to, a

primary or general election, one (1) political sign may be maintained on an individual Lot or the Dwelling.

- Section 9.07. The Declarant may maintain, while engaged in construction and sales activities, in or upon such portions of the Property as Declarant shall determine, such temporary facilities as in its sole discretion may be necessary or convenient including, but without limitation, offices, storage areas, model units, signs, temporary fencing, monuments and sales and construction trailers.
- Section 9.08. No animals, livestock or poultry of any kind shall be raised, bred, or kept on any Lot, except that dogs and cats (not to exceed a total of three (3) such pets) or other common household pets may be kept, provided that they are not kept, bred, or maintained for any commercial purposes.
- Section 9.09. All rubbish, trash, or garbage shall be kept so as not to be seen from neighboring Dwelling Units and streets, and shall be regularly removed from the Property, and shall not be allowed to accumulate thereon. Garbage cans shall be kept in the garage until the day prior to garbage pickup and removed the day of garbage pickup from the driveway. Garbage may not be burned on the Los
- Section 9.10. Drying of clothes shall be confined to the interior of the Dwelling Units. No clothes, sheets, laundry, blankets or other articles of clothing shall be hung out in any portion of the Property
- Section 9.11. An Owner of a Lot shall do no act nor allow any condition to exist which will adversely affect the other Lots of their Owners.
- Section 9.12. Each Owner shall be required to pick up any waste generated by a pet on the Lots, Common Area or adjacent Village property.
- Section 9.13. No nuisance, noxious or offensive activity shall be carried on in the Property nor shall anything be done therein, either willfully or negligently, which may be or become an annoyance or nuisance to the Owners or occupants of any Dwelling Units on the Property.
- Section 9.14. No plants, seeds, or other things or conditions harboring or breeding infectious plant diseases or noxious insects shall be introduced or maintained upon any part of the Property.
- Section 9.15. Parking areas and driveways shall be used for parking operable automobiles only and no part of any Lot shall be used for storage use, including storage of recreational vehicles or overnight parking of mobile homes, trailers, commercial vehicles, except a commercial vehicle no larger than a one(1) ton GVW vehicle may be parked outside of a Dwelling Unit for no longer than twelve (12) hours, snowmobiles or boats except within the confines of a garage. No repair or body work of any motorized vehicle shall be permitted except within the confines of the garage. Any violation of this provision shall be deemed a nuisance under Section 9.13 hereof. Passenger motor vehicles in non-operative condition shall not be parked, except in garages.

Section 9.16. The operation of "ham" or other amateur radio stations or the erection of any communication antenna, receiving dish or similar devices shall not be allowed except as under applicable law.

Section 9.17. No lines or wires for communication or the transmission of electric current or power shall be constructed, placed or permitted to be placed anywhere in the Property other than within buildings or structures or attached to their walls, unless the same shall be contained in conduits or approved cables constructed, placed and maintained underground.

Section 9.18 Each Lot and the Common Area is hereby subjected to a permanent easement appurtenant to any adjoining Lot and any adjoining portion of the Common Area to permit the construction, existence, maintenance, repair and restoration of structures located on sucr adjoining Lot or portion of the Common Area, including roof structures, which overhang and encroach upon the servient Lot or Common Area, provided that the construction of such structure is permitted and approved as elsewhere herein provided. The owner of the dominant tenement shall have the right, at all reasonable times, to enter the easement area in order to maintain, repair and restore any improvements located on the dominant tenement provided, however, that such entry shall be allowed only during daylight hours and with the prior knowledge of the owner of the servient tenement. In case of emergency, such right of entry shall be immediate, not restricted as to time and not be conditioned upon prior knowledge of the owner of the servient tenement. The owner of the servient tenement shall not place any improvement, material or obstacle in or over the easement area on the servient tenement which would unreasonably interfere with the rights of the owner of the dominant tenement granted by this Section 9.18. Any such improvement, material or obstacle shall be promptly removed by the owner of the servient tenement at that owner's expense when requested by the owner of the dominant tenement or Declarant notwithstanding any lapse of time since such improvements, material or other obstacle was placed in or over the easement area.

Section 9.19. In order to promote a suitable and attractive open space environment, the installation of fences, walls or other Structures, other than Dwelling Units permitted hereunder, shall be prohibited except for (i) rear brick or concrete patios and rear decks specifically approved by the Board in its sole discretion, (ii) fences not higher than 5 feet, confined to screening rear patio and rear deck areas specifically approved by the Board in its sole discretion, and (iii) a fence to be erected by the Declarant along the north border of the Walk-Through Parcel, which shall be of such height and construction material as the Declarant shall, in its sole discretion, determine, subject to applicable laws and ordinances. No fence permitted under subsection (ii) above shall project closer to the street than the rear corner of the Dwelling Unit closest to the street. No chain link fences shall be allowed within the Property.

Section 9.20. No above ground pools shall be allowed on the Property. Temporary children's plastic wading pools, not over twenty (20") inches in height, may be used provided they are stored out of sight when not in use. Permanent "in ground" pools shall be permitted, provided they do not encroach on building set back lines, easements or utility lines or utility services to the Dwelling Unit or the Property, and meet Village setback requirements and receive Architectural Review Committee approval.

Section 9.21. Any Owner may lease the Dwelling Unit on his Lot, but no lease may be for a period of less than six (6) months. This provision shall not apply to the Declarant

who may lease a Lot or Dwelling Unit thereon for any length of time. All leases must be made expressly subject to the terms of this Declaration.

Section 9.22. No Owner may alter or modify any Structure located on each Lot without the prior written approval of the Village of Brookfield, Illinois Board of Trustees.

## ARTICLE X MISCELLANEOUS

Section 10.01. The Association, the Village or any Owner, their successors or assigns, shall have the right to enforce, by any proceeding at law or in equity, all restrictions, easements, conditions, covenants, reservations, liens and charges now or hereafter imposed by the provisions of this Declaration. Any Owner found to be in violation by a court of competent jurisdiction of any of the foregoing shall also be liable for reasonable attorney's fees incurred by the Association of prosecuting such action. The amount of such attorney's fees together with court costs, if unpaid, shall constitute an additional lien against the defaulting Owner's Lot, enforceable as other here herein established. Failure by the Association or by any Owner to enforce any covenant of restriction herein contained shall in no event be deemed a waiver of the right to do so thereafter. The Association shall use its best efforts to assist the Village in connection with the enforcement of any provisions hereunder.

Section 10.02. Invalidation of any of these covenants or restrictions by judgment or order shall in no way affect any other provisions which shall remain in full force and effect. In the event of any conflict between the terms of this Declaration and the provisions of any statute governing same, the terms of such statute shall control.

Section 10.03. The covenants and restrictions of this Declaration shall run with and bind the land and shall inure to the benefit of and be enforceable by the Association, the Village, the Owner of any Lot subject to this Declaration, their respective legal representatives, heirs, successors, and assigns, for a term of fifty (50) years from the date this Declaration is recorded, after which time said covenants shall be automatically extended for successive periods of ten (10) years, subject to amendment as hereinafter set forth. The covenants and restrictions of this Declaration may be amended during the first fifty (50) year period or within any successive ten (10) year period by an instrument signed by those Members (Class A and Class B) entitled to cast one hundred percent (100%) of the total votes as provided in Article III, Section 3.01 hereof and then properly recorded. Provided, however, that (i) no Material Amendment to this Declaration, the By-Laws or the Association's articles or incorporation shall be effective unless approval thereof is obtained from Eligible Mortgage Holders representing at least one hundred percent (100%) of the Lots and Dwelling Units that are subject to mortgages held by Eligible Mortgage Holders, and (ii) that neither Section 4.02 nor Section 9.22 shall be amended without the written approval of the Village of Brookfield, Illinois Board of Trustees. Any instrument executed pursuant to the provisions contained in this Section shall be filed for record in the Office of Recorder of Cook County, Illinois, and a true, complete copy of such instrument shall be transmitted to each Owner promptly.

Section 10.04. If and to the extent that any of the covenants would otherwise be unlawful or void for violation of (a) the rule against perpetuities, (b) the rule restricting restraints on alienation, or (c) any other applicable statute or common law rule analogous thereto or otherwise imposing limitations upon the time for which such covenants may be valid, then the

provision concerned shall continue and endure only after the expiration of a period of twenty-one (21) years after the death of the last to survive of the class of persons consisting of all of the lawful descendants of William Jefferson Clinton, former President of the United States, living at the date of this Declaration.

<u>Section 10.05</u>. Any notices required under the provisions of this Declaration to be sent to any Owner, shall be deemed to have been properly sent when mailed, postage prepaid, to the last known address of such Owner as it appears on the records of the Association at the time of such mailing.

Section 10.06. All the easements, rights, covenants, agreements, reservations, restrictions and conditions herein contained shall run with the land and shall inure to the benefit of and be omaing upon Declarant and each subsequent holder of any interest in any portion of the Property and their grantees, heirs, successors, personal representatives and assigns with the same full force and effect for all purposes as though set forth at length in each and every conveyance of the Property or any part thereof. Reference in the respective deeds of conveyance, or in any mortgage or trust deed or other evidence of obligation, to the easements and covenants herein described shall be sufficient to create and reserve such easements and covenants to the respective grantees, mortgages or trustees of such parcels as fully and completely as though said easements and covenants were fully recited and set forth in their entirety in such documents.

Section 10.07. In the event that any part of any Dwelling Unit encroaches or shall hereafter encroach upon any part of any other Lot or the Common Area, valid easements for the maintenance of such encroachments are nereby established and shall exist so long as all or any part of the same shall remain standing, provided, however, that in no event shall a valid easement for any encroachment be created in favor of any Owner if such encroachment or use is detrimental to or interferes with the reasonable use and enjoyment of the Dwelling Unit of another Owner or if it occurred due to the willful conduct of any Owner.

Section 10.08. Declarant reserves to itself the right to rerecord any amendment to the Plat of Subdivision and any amendment to this Declaration or certificates of correction to correct any inaccuracies, errors or mistakes contained therein, subject to the prior review and approval of the Village.

<u>Section 10.09</u>. Any aggrieved Owner may enforce the provisions of this Declaration, the By-Laws, or any rules and regulations promulgated by the Board by an action at law or in equity against the defaulting Owner (or occupant of his Dwelling Unit).

Section 10.10. The provisions of this Declaration shall be liberally construed to effectuate its purpose of creating a uniform plan for the operation of a first class housing development.

Section 10.11. Declarant reserves the right and power to prepare and record a special amendment ("Special Amendment") to this Declaration at any time and from time to time which amends this Declaration (i) to comply with requirements of the Federal National Mortgage Association, the Government National Mortgage Association, the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation, the Department of Housing and Urban Development, the Federal Housing Association, the Veteran's Administration, or any other governmental agency or any other public, quasi-public, or private entity which performs (or may in the future perform) functions similar to

those currently performed by such entities, (ii) to induce any of such agencies or entities to make, purchase, sell, insure, or guarantee first mortgages covering a Dwelling Unit or (iii) to correct clerical or typographical errors in this Declaration or any Exhibit hereto or any supplement or amendment thereto. In furtherance of the foregoing, a power coupled with an interest is hereby reserved and granted to the Declarant to vote in favor of, make, or consent to a Special Amendment on behalf of each Owner as proxy or attorney-in-fact, as the case may be. Each deed, mortgage, trust deed, other evidence of obligation, or other instrument affecting a Lot, and the acceptance thereof shall be deemed to be a grant and acknowledgment of, and a consent to the reservation of, the power of the Declarant to vote in favor of, make, execute and record Special Amendments. The right of the Declarant to act pursuant to rights reserved or granted under this Section shall terminate at such time as the Declarant no longer holds or controls title to any Lot. The right reserved to amend this Declaration shall not apply to diminish any rights provided for in this Declaration for the benefit of the Village.

Section 10.12. The Declarant reserves the right to grant easements at any time hereafter over, under plong and in any portion of the Lots for the purposes of providing utility and drainage services, provided, however, that such grant does not interfere with the reasonable use and occupancy of a Dwelling Unit.

Section 10.13. Except for the Village, the liability of the Declarant under this Declaration shall be limited to and enforceable solely against the interest of the Declarant in the Property and not against any other assets of Declarant.

Section 10.14. All Declarent Rights shall be mortgageable, pledgeable, assignable or transferable. The Declarant shall have the right to assign some or all of the Declarant Rights reserved or granted hereunder to Declarant, subject to the following:

- (a) Declarant may assign to a Person which acquires title to a portion of the Property the non-exclusive right to exercise some or all of the Declarant Rights, subject to such terms, conditions and limitations as the Declarant shall deem appropriate, in their discretion.
- (b) If Declarant conveys all of the Additional Property owned by it to a Person, then the Declarant shall no longer have the right to exercise any Declarant Rights and the person which acquires such portions of the Additional Property from Declarant may become the successor to the Declarant and, if so, shall have the right to exercise all Declarant Rights hereunder, subject to any assignments previously made by the Declarant as permitted hereunder.
- (c) Any Declarant Rights may be collaterally assigned by the Declarant to a lender which makes a development or construction loan to Declarant with respect to a portion of the Additional Property.

Section 10.15. If all or any part of the Common Area only shall be taken through condemnation by any governmental authority having power so to do, the net proceeds of such taking shall be paid to and retained by the then owner of the Common Area subject, however, to the rights of the holder of first mortgage liens on the Dwelling Units. If any part of the Property including one or more Dwelling Units shall be taken by one or more concurrent condemnation proceedings, the entire net proceeds of such taking or takings, including (without

limitation) all proceeds received on account of such taking of any part of the Common Area, shall be divided equitably among, and retained by, the Owners of the Dwelling Units wholly or partially taken in such condemnation proceedings, subject to the rights of the holders of first mortgage liens on the Dwelling Units. If the effect of such condemnation shall be to isolate any part of the Property from the remainder of the Property, and if no residential structures shall then have been constructed or be situated within the portion of the Property so isolated, then all the Dwelling Units lying wholly or partly within the portion of the Property so isolated shall be deemed to have been and shall be removed from and released from all of the terms and provision of this Declaration and this Declaration shall be of no further force or effect with respect thereto. For purposes of this Section 12.16, the term "condemnation" shall include also any sale under threat of condemnation to any governmental authority having condemnation power.

Section 10.16. The Village shall have the right, but not the obligation, to enforce certain covenants or obligations of the Declarant and/or the Association or the Owners, as applicable, and firther shall have the right, upon 30 days' prior written notice to the Declarant and/or the Association or Owners, as applicable, specifying the nature of a default, to enter upon the Common Area and cure such default, or cause the same to be cured at the cost and expense of the Association or the Owner or Owners thereof. The Village also shall have the right to change or place a lien upon the Common Area for the repayment of such costs and expenses, including reasonable attorney's fees in enforcing such obligations, or levy a tax for the payment of such services pursuant to a Special Service Area. This Section 12.18 may not be amended without the prior written approval of the Village.

# ARTICLE XI DECLARANT'S RIGHTS

Notwithstanding anything contained herein to the contrary, subsequent to the time Declarant no longer has the right to appoint all members of the Eoard, but until such time as the Declarant no longer holds title to any Lot, the Board, and any committees, shall not enter into any contract, amend this Declaration in any manner, implement any decision which may adversely affect the sales, marketing, development or financial projections of the Property (not including any budget or assessment levels established by the Association) or modify any existing standards within the Property, without the prior written consent of the Declarant. This Article XIII may not be amended without the prior written consent of the Declarant.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has executed this insurument this day of December, 2006

DECLARANT:

Brookfield Development Group, L.L.C., an Illinois limited liability company.

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STATE OF ILLINOIS ) ) SS
COUNTY OF COOK )
I, Tongoz Litwicki, a Notary Public, in and for said County, in the State aforesaid, do hereby certify, that Alex Troyanovsky, as Manager of Brookfield Development Group, L.L.C., an Illinois limited liability company, personally known to me to be the same person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instrument as such Alex Troyanovsky, appeared before me this day in person and acknowledged that Lec signed and delivered said instrument as Lis own free and voluntary act and as the free and voluntary act of said company, for the uses and purposes therein set forth.  GIVEN under my hand and Notarial Seal, this 2/ day of December, 2006
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#### **EXHIBIT A**

#### **PROPERTY**

Lots 19, 20, 21 and 22, in Alex Troyanovsky Subdivision, being a subdivision of the South East 1/4 of the South East 1/4 of Section 27, Township 39 North, Range 12, East of the Third Principal Meridian, in Cook County, Illinois, together with the "Private Drive" abutting said Lots, as delineated on the Plat of Subdivison recorded with the Recorder of Deeds of Cook County as document no. 0613734084, and the "Walk-Through Parcel" as defined on Exhibit D to this Declaration.

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#### **EXHIBIT B**

### BY-LAWS OF PRAIRIE SQUARE **HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION**

### ARTICLE I PURPOSES AND POWERS

The Association shall be responsible for the general management and supervision of the Common Area and shall have all of the powers to perform, and shall be responsible to perform, all of the obligations provided in the Declaration. Further, the Association shall have all powers now or hereafter granted by the General Not For Profit Corporation Act of the State of Illinois which shall be consistent with the purposes specified herein and in the Declaration.

### ARTICLE II **OFFICERS**

- 2.01 Registered Office The Association shall have and continuously maintain in this State a Registered Off ce and a Registered Agent whose office shall be identical with such Registered Office. The Association may have other offices within or without the State of Illinois as the Board of Directors may from time to time determine.
- 2.02 Principal Office. The principal office of the Association shall be initially maintained in Brookfield, Illinois. Clarks

### ARTICLE III MEMBER

- 3.01 Voting Members. 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 assessment by the Association shall be a member of the Association. The foregoing is not intended to include persons or entities who hold an interest merely as security for the performance of an obligation. Membership shall be appurtenant to and may not be separated from ownership of any Lot which is subject to an assessment by the Association. Ownership of such Lot shall be the sole qualification of membership. Nothing herein contained shall be interpreted to exclude Declarant from membership while it or its successors in interest, if any, owns one or more Lots. Voting rights with regard to each Member are set forth in Section 3.02 hereof.
- 3.02 Classes of Membership. The Association shall have two classes of voting membership:

Class A. Class A Members shall be all those Owners as defined in Section 3.01, provided that the Declarant shall not be a Class A Member until the Transfer Date. Class A Members shall be entitled to one vote for each Lot in which they hold the interest required for membership by Section 3.01. When more than one person 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 vote be cast with respect to any Lot. All Members holding any interest in a single Lot shall together be entitled to cast only one vote for the Lot.

Class B. 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 the interest required for membership by Section 3.01; provided that the Class B membership shall cease and be converted to Class A membership on the Transfer Date.

### 3 6? Meetings.

- (a) Quorum: Procedure. Meetings of the Members shall be held at the principal office of the Association or at such other place in Will County, Illinois as may be designated in any notice of a meeting. The presence at any meeting, in person or by proxy, of fifty percent (50%) of the total votes determined pursuant to Section 3.02 above shall constitute a quorum. Unless otherwise expressly provided herein or in the Declaration, any action may be taken at any meeting of the Members at which a quorum is present upon the affirmative vote of the Members having a majority of the total votes present at such meeting. Any Member in writing may waive notice of a meeting, or consent to any action of the Association without a meeting.
- (b) Initial and Annual Meeting. The initial meeting of the Members to elect a Board shall be held at such time as may be designated upon thirty (30) days written notice given by the Declarant, provided that such initial meeting shall be held no later than the first to happen of (i) upon written notice of election by the Declarant to the Association as of the date specified in said notice or (ii) ten (10) years from the date of the recording of this Declaration or (iii) upon the sale and conveyance of seventy-five percent (75%) of the Lots to bona-fide purchasers. For purposes of this Section 3.03(b), "Lots" shall mean all platted lots contained within the Troperty and Additional Parcel. Thereafter, there shall be an annual meeting of the Members on the first Tuesday of May of each succeeding year, at 7:30 p.m. If the date for the annual meeting of Members is a legal holiday, the meeting will be held at the same hour on the first day succeeding such date which is not a legal holiday.
- (c) <u>Special Meetings</u>. Special meetings of the Members may be called at any time for the purpose of considering matters which, by the terms of the Declaration or these By-Laws, require the approval of all or some of the Members, or for any other reasonable purposes. Said meetings shall be called by written notice, authorized by a majority of the Board or by the Members having one-half (1/2) of the total votes entitled to be cast by Class A Members as provided in Section 3.02 above, and delivered not less than five (5) days prior to the date fixed for said meeting. The notices shall specify the date, time and place of the meeting and the matters to be considered.

- (d) <u>Unanimous Consent in Lieu of Meetings</u>. The members may take any action required to be taken at any regular, annual or special meeting of the Members, including the election of members of the Board of Directors, by unanimous consent in writing and signed by one hundred per cent (100%) of the Members.
- Notices of Meeting. Notices of meetings required to be given herein may be delivered either personally or by mail to the persons entitled to vote thereat, addressed to each such person at the address given by him to the Board for the purpose of service of such notice, or to the Dwelling Unit of the Owner with respect to which such voting right appertains, if no address has been given to the Board. The notices required herein shall state the specific purpose and the nature of the business for which the meeting is called. At any meeting, no business may be transacted other than that specified in the notice.
- 3.05 <u>Proxies</u>. At any meeting of Members, a Member entitled to vote may either vote in person or by proxy executed in writing by the Member or by his duly authorized attorney-in-fact. No proxy shall be valid after eleven (11) months from the date of its execution unless otherwise provided in the proxy.

# ARTICLE IV BOARD OF DIRECTORS

- Property in accordance with the provisions of the Declaration shall be vested in the Board of Directors, consisting of three (3) persons who shall be elected in the manner hereinafter provided. Each member of the Board shall be one of the Owners (including the Declarant); provided, however, that in the event at Owner is a corporation, partnership, trust or other legal entity other than a natural person or persons, then any director or officer of such corporation, partner of such partnership, individual trustee or beneficiary of such trust, or manager of such legal entity, shall be eligible to serve as a member of the Board and provided further that in the event a member of the Board has entered into a contract to sell his Dwelling Unit and vacates the Dwelling Unit prior to the consummation of that transaction, such member shall no longer be eligible to serve on the Board and his term of office shall be deemed terminated.
- 4.02 <u>Determination of Board to be Binding</u>. All matters of dispute or disagreement between Owners with respect to interpretation or application of the provisions of the Declaration or these By-Laws shall be determined by the Board as hereinafter provided, which determination shall be final and binding on the Association and on all Owners subject, however, to the jurisdiction of any applicable court of law.
- 4.03 <u>Election of Board Members</u>. At the initial meeting of the Members and at all subsequent annual meetings of the Members there shall be elected a Board of Directors. In all elections for members of the Board of Directors, each Member shall be entitled to one (1) vote on a non-cumulative basis and the candidates receiving the highest number of votes with respect to the number of offices to be filled shall be

deemed to be elected. The initial Board of Directors and all succeeding Boards of Directors shall serve for a period of one (1) year, or until their respective successors are elected or appointed.

- 4.04 Compensation. Members of the Board shall receive no compensation for their services.
- 4.05 Vacancies in Board. Vacancies in the Board, other than as a result of removal pursuant to Paragraph 4.07 hereof, including vacancies due to any increase in the number of persons on the Board, shall be filled by the remaining members of the Board.
- 4.06 Removal of Board Members. Any Board member may be removed from office by affirmative vote of the Members having at least three-fourths (3/4) of the total votes, at any special meeting called for the purpose in the manner aforesaid.
- 4.07 Metrzs of Board. The initial meeting of the Board shall be held immediately following the initial meeting of the Members and at the same place.
- 4.08 Execution of Documents. All agreements, contracts, deeds, leases, vouchers for payment of experditures, and other instruments shall be signed by such officer or officers, agent or agents of the Board and in such manner as from time to time shall be determined by written resolution of the Board.
- Unanimous Consent in Lieu of Directors' Meetings. The members of the Board of Directors may take any action required to be taken at any regular, annual or special meeting of the Board by unanimous consent in writing and signed by one hundred per cent (100%) of the Members. 10/45

### ARTICLE V **POWERS OF THE BOARD**

- 5.01 General Powers of the Board. Without limiting are general powers which may be provided by law, the Declaration or these By-Laws, the Board shall have the following general powers and duties:
- to elect the officers of the Association as hereinabove pro-(a) vided;
- to administer the affairs of the Association and the Com-(b) mon Area;
- to formulate policies for the administration, management (c) and operation of the Common Area;

- (d) to adopt administrative rules and regulations governing the administration, management, operation and use of the Common Area, and to amend such rules and regulations from time to time;
- (e) to provide for the maintenance, repair and replacement of the Common Area and such other portions of the Property as required by the Declaration and payments therefor, and to approve payment vouchers or to delegate such approval to the officers or the manager or managing agent;
- (f) to estimate the amount of the annual budget, and to provide the manner of assessing and collecting from the Owners of the Lots which have been occupied for residential purposes, their respective shares of such estimated expenses, as hereinafter provided; and
- (g) to exercise all other powers and duties vested in or delegated to the Association, and not specifically reserved to the Owners by the Articles of Incorporation, the Declaration or these By-Laws.
- hereinabove enumerated shall be limited in that the Board shall have no authority to acquire and pay for out of the maintenance fund any structural alterations, capital additions or capital improvements to the Common Area (other than for purposes of replacing or restoring portions of the Common Area, subject to all the provisions of the Declaration) or to those portions of the Dwelling as set forth in Section 5.01 of the Declaration having a total cost in excess of Three Thousand Dollars (\$3,000.00), without in each case the prior approval of the owners holding three-fourths (3/4) of the total votes.

### 5.04 Rules and Regulations: Management

- (a) Rules. The Board may adopt such reasonable rules and regulations as it may deem advisable for the maintenance, conservation and beautification of the Common Area.
- (b) Nothing hereinabove contained shall be construed to give the Board authority to conduct an active business for profit on behalf of all of the Owners or any of them.
- and the officers of the Association shall not be personally liable to the Owners or others for any mistake of judgment or for any acts or omissions made in good faith by such officers or Board members. The Owners shall indemnify and hold harmless each of the members of the Board and each of the officers against all contractual liability to others arising out of contracts made by the Board or officers on behalf of the Owners unless any such contract shall have been made in bad faith or contrary to the provisions of the Declaration. The liability of any Owner arising out of any such contract made by the Board or officers or out of the aforesaid indemnity in favor of the members of the Board

or officers, to the extent not covered by insurance, shall be limited to his proportionate share of the total liability thereunder.

### ARTICLE VI ASSESSMENTS - MAINTENANCE FUND

- 6.01 Preparation of Estimated Budget. Each year on or before December 1, the Board shall, if necessary, estimate the total amount necessary to pay the cost of wages, materials, taxes, insurance, services and supplies which will be required during the ensuing calendar year for the rendering of all services authorized by the Board, together with a reasonable amount considered by the Board to be necessary for a reserve for contingencies and replacements, and shall, if applicable, on or before December 15, notify each Owner in writing as to the amount of such estimate ("Estimated Cash Requirement"), with reasonable itemization thereof. The Estimated Cash Requirement, if any, shall be assessed among all of the Owners, in accordance with applicable law, other than the Declarant as provided in Section 6.09 of the Declaration. On or before January 1 of the ensuing calendar year, and the first of each and every month of said year, each Owner, other than Declarant, sna'l be obligated to pay to the Board, or as it may direct, one--twelfth 1/12) of the assessment made pursuant to this Section 6.01. On or before the date of the annual meeting of each calendar year, the Board shall supply to all Owners an itemized accounting of the maintenance expenses for the preceding fiscal year actually incurred and paid, together with a tabulation of the amounts collected from the Owners pursuant to assessments made during such year (including amounts collected from Declarant) and showing the net amount over or short of the actual expenditures, plus reserves. The Board shall upon demand at any time firmish a certificate in writing signed by an officer or agent of the Association, setting forth whether the assessments on a specified Lot have been paid. Such certificates shall be conclusive evidence of payment of any assessment therein. No provision of this Declaration shall be construed to require the payment by the Association of real estate taxes on any Lot upon which a Dwelling Unit is constructed and a portion of the Common Area is located.
- maintain a reasonable reserve fund for authorized capital expenditures, contingencies, replacements and deficits in the Association's operating account ("Fatraordinary Expenditures") not originally included in the annual estimate. Extraordinary Expenditures which may become necessary during the year shall be charged against such reserve fund. If such reserve fund proves inadequate for any reason, including non-payment of any Owner's assessment, the Board may, at any time, levy a further assessment, which shall be divided prorata among the remaining installments for such fiscal year and assessed among the Owners. In the event, however, that the Board determines that there exists a surplus in the reserve for Extraordinary Expenditures, the Board shall have the authority to transfer such funds into the operating account to fund any deficit in said account. The Board shall serve notice of further assessment on all such Owners by a statement in writing giving the amount and reasons therefor, and such further assessment shall become effective with the monthly maintenance payment which is due more than ten (10) days after the delivery or mailing of such notice of further assessment. All such Owners shall

be obligated to pay the adjusted monthly amount. At the time of the closing of the sale of each Lot by the Declarant, the Owner shall pay an amount as determined by the Declarant which shall be used and applied as a working capital fund in the manner herein provided.

- 6.03 <u>Budget for First Year</u>. When the first Board elected hereunder takes office, it shall determine the Estimated Cash Requirement, as hereinabove defined, for the period commencing on the first day of the month following the conveyance of the first Lot and ending on December 31 of the calendar year following said conveyance. The initial Estimated Cash Requirement, at the option of the Board, shall be divided among the remaining monthly installments of such calendar year and assessed to all Owners, other than the Declarant.
- Board to presave or serve the annual or adjusted estimate on an Owner shall not constitute a waiver or release in any manner of such Owner's obligation to pay the maintenance costs and necessary reserves, as herein provided, whenever the same shall be determined, and, in the absence of any annual estimate or adjusted estimate, the Owner shall continue to pay the monthly maintenance charge, if any, at the then existing monthly rate established for the previous period until the monthly maintenance payment which is due more than ten (10) days after such new annual or adjusted estimate shall have been mailed or delivered.
- 6.05 Books and Records. The Board shall keep full and correct books of account in chronological order of the receipts and expenditures affecting the Common Area, specifying and itemizing the maintenance and repair expenses of the Common Area and any other expenses incurred. Such records and the vouchers authorizing the payments shall be available for inspection by any Owner or any representative of an Owner duly authorized in writing or any holder, insurer or guarantor of a first mortgage secured by any portion of the Property at such reasonable time or times during normal business hours as may be requested by such Owner or his representative or such holder, insurer or guarantor. Upon ten (10) days notice to the Board, any Own r shall be furnished a statement of his account, setting forth the amount of any unpaid assessment or other charges due and owing from such Owner. In addition, the Board shall provide for the preceding fiscal year upon the written request of any holder, insurer or guaranter of a first mortgage secured by any portion of the Property any annual audited or unaudited financial statements which are prepared and distributed by the Association to the Owners at the end of each of its respective fiscal years, provided, however, that in the event an audited financial statement is not available, 51% or more of the first mortgagees (by number) shall upon request, be entitled to have such an audited statement prepared at their expense.
- be held and expended for the purposes designated herein, and (except for such special assessments as may be levied hereunder against less than all the Owners and for such adjustments as may be required to reflect delinquent or prepaid assessments) shall be deemed to be held in trust for the benefit, use and account of all the Owners, other than the Declarant. All funds not otherwise employed shall be deposited from time to time to

the credit of the Association in such banks, trust companies or other depositories as the Board may select.

- 6.07 Remedies for Failure to Pay Assessments. Any assessments which are not paid when due shall be delinquent. If the assessment is not paid within thirty (30) days after the due date, the assessment shall bear interest from the due date at the rate then allowed by law, and the Association may bring an action at law against the Owner personally obligated to pay the same, or foreclose the lien against the property, and interest, costs and reasonable attorney's fees of any such action shall be added to the amount of such assessment. To the extent permitted by any decision or any statute or law now or bereafter effective, the amount of any delinquent and unpaid charges or assessments, and interest, costs and fees as above provided, shall be and become a lien or charge against the Lot of the Owner involved when payable and may be foreclosed by an action brough in the name of the Board as in the case of foreclosure of liens against the real estate. Unless otherwise provided in the Declaration, the members of the Board and their successors in carce, acting on behalf of the other Owners, shall have the power to bid in the interest so foreclosed at foreclosure sale, and to acquire and hold, lease, mortgage and convey the same. The lien of the assessments provided for herein shall be subordinate to the lien of any arsi or prior recorded mortgage now or hereafter placed on the Lots provided, however, that such prior recorded mortgage shall be subject to the lien of all unpaid assessments with respect to such Lot which became due and payable subsequent to the date the holder of said mortgage takes possession of the Lot, accepts a conveyance of any interest in the Lot or has a receiver appointed in a suit to foreclose his lien.
- 6.08 Exempt Lots. To the extent allowed by applicable law, with regard to any Lots upon which Dwelling Units are being constructed or have been completed and title has not been conveyed by Declarant, the assessment respecting any such Lot shall be limited to the aggregate amount of actual coerating expenses from time to time required to be paid with respect to such Lot, provided, rowever, that in the event Declarant enters into a lease or installment contract for any Lot, hen Declarant shall be responsible for the payment of assessments on those Lots on the same basis as any other Owner as provided in Section 6.01 hereof. Actual operating expenses shall mean those ordinary expenses attributable only to the period in question covering the regaintenance and operation of the Property and shall not include capital expenditures, arricunts set aside as a reserve for contingencies or replacements, prepaid items or inventory items to the extent attributable to subsequent periods.
- 6.09 <u>Right to Collect Assessments</u>. If the Board determines in its sole discretion that the amount deposited by the Owners at the time of closing of the sale from Declarant is not sufficient, then the Board may exercise its right to collect assessments as provided herein. The Board may also elect to authorize the Kipling Estates Association to collect any assessments levied hereunder and to remit same to the Association.

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### ARTICLE VII **AMENDMENTS**

These By-Laws may be amended or modified from time to time by an instrument signed by those Members (Class A and Class B) entitled to cast one hundred per cent (100%) of the total votes in the Association. Such amendments shall be recorded in the Office of the Recorder of Cook County, Illinois.

## ARTICLE XI

The forth in the Diclaration defined therein. The terms used in these By-Laws shall have the same definition as set forth in the Diclaration to which these By-Laws are attached to the extent such terms are

#### **EXHIBIT D**

#### WALK-THROUGH PARCEL

The South 6 feet of the North 101.04 feet of the Alex Troyanovsky Subdivision, being a subdivision of the South East ¼ of the South East ¼ of Section 27, Township 39 North, Range 12, East of the Third Principal Meridian, in Cook County, Illinois..

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## EXHIBIT E REAL ESTATE OWNED BY ADJACENT OWNERS

Lots 1 through 18, both inclusive in Alex Troyanovsky Subdivision, being a subdivision of the South East ¼ of the South East ¼ of Section 27, Township 39 North, Range 12, East of the Third Principal Meridian, in Cook County, Illinois, together with the "Private Drive" abutting said Lots, as delineated on the Plat of Subdivison recorded with the Recorder of Deeds of Cook County as document no. 0613734084



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### **CONSENT OF MORTGAGEE**

MB FINANCIAL, holder of a Mortgage on the Property legally described on Exhibit A attached hereto, hereby consents to the execution and recording of the within Prairie Square Declaration of Covenants, Conditions, Restrictions and Easements and agrees that said Mortgage is subject thereto.				
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, KRISTING FRANK has caused				
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person and acknowledged that she signed and delivered the said instrument as were own				
free and voluntary act, and as the free and voluntary act of said Bank, for the uses and				
purposes therein set forth.				
Given under my hand and Notarial Seal this 2/ day of December, 2006.				
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