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OF
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**ARTICLE I
GENERAL PROVISIONS**

1.1. Defined Terms.

Capitalized terms used in these Bylaws without definition shall have the meanings specified for such terms in the Declaration of Covenants, Conditions and Restrictions for Ascension, recorded in the official records of the County Recorder of Bernalillo County, New Mexico, on February 26, 2021, as Document No. 2021023204, as such Declaration may be amended from time to time (the "Declaration"). As used in these Bylaws, the term "Eligible Votes" means the total number of votes entitled to be cast by Members as of the record date for determining the Members entitled to vote at a meeting or in respect of any other lawful action including, but not limited to, action by written ballot or written consent.

1.2. Principal Office.

The principal office of the Association shall be located at the known place of business of the Association designated in the Articles or such other place as the Association may designate from time to time in accordance with the New Mexico law, but meetings of members and directors may be held at such other place within the State of New Mexico as may be designated by the Board.

1.3. Conflicting Provisions.

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

1.4. Designation of Fiscal Year.

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

1.5. Financial Records.

An annual report consisting of at least a balance sheet and an operating (income and loss) statement shall be made available to all Members within 60 days after the close of each fiscal year. The annual financial report shall be prepared by a certified public accountant and shall be on an audited, reviewed or compiled basis, as the Board determines.

1.6. Amendment.

These Bylaws may be amended by the affirmative vote of Members holding more than two-thirds (2/3) of the votes cast with respect to the amendment, but so long as the Declarant owns any Lot or Parcel, any amendment to these Bylaws also must be approved in writing by the Declarant.

1.7. Captions and Titles.

All captions, titles or headings of the Articles and Sections in these Bylaws are for the purpose of reference and convenience only and are not to be deemed to limit, modify or otherwise affect any of the provisions hereof or to be used in determining the intent or context thereof. Unless otherwise specified, all references in these Bylaws to Articles or Sections are to Articles and Sections of these Bylaws.

**ARTICLE 2
MEMBERSHIPS AND MEETINGS OF MEMBERS**

2.1. Allocation of Memberships.

Each Lot and Parcel, except for a Parcel owned by the Association, shall be allocated Memberships in the Association. Each Owner shall have the number of Memberships allocated to the Lots and Parcels owned by such Owner, excluding Parcels owned by the Association. As provided in the Declaration, each Lot and Parcel (except for a Parcel owned by the Association) is allocated Memberships in the Association as follows:

- (a) Each Lot is allocated one (1) Membership.
- (b) Each such Parcel is allocated one (1) Membership for each Lot that may be created by the subdivision of the Parcel as shown on the Plat of the Property. If a subdivision plat or other instrument creating Lots is Recorded covering all or part of the area within the Parcel, the Parcel shall be reduced in size by the area so platted and the number of Memberships allocated to such Parcel shall be reduced by a number equal to the number of Lots in the Recorded subdivision plat. All Memberships attributable to the Parcel shall cease when the land area ceases to be a Parcel because all of the area in the Parcel has been platted or otherwise dedicated to the public and no unplatted area remains within the Parcel.

2.2 Classes of Members and Voting Rights.

The Association shall have one class of Membership. Each Owner, including, as to Lots and Parcels owned by the Declarant, the Declarant, shall be a Member of the Association. Each Member shall be entitled to one (1) vote for each Membership held by such Member, as

addressed in Section 2.1 above. No more than one (1) vote may be cast for any Lot on each matter properly coming before the Members for vote. No more than the number of Memberships allocated to a particular Parcel, as addressed in Section 2.1 above, may be cast for such Parcel on each matter properly coming before the Members for vote.

2.3 Annual Meeting.

The first annual meeting of the Members of the Association shall be held within one (1) year after the conveyance of the first Lot to a Purchaser. An annual meeting of the Members of the Association shall be held at least once each year thereafter. The date, time and place of each annual meeting shall be determined by the Board.

2.4. Special Meetings.

Special meetings of the Members may be called at any time by the president or by the Board or upon written demand signed by Members having at least one-fourth (1/4th) of the Eligible Votes. The close of business on the thirtieth (30th) day before delivery of the demand or demands for a special meeting shall be the record date for the purpose of determining whether the demand for the special meeting has been signed by Members having at least one-fourth (1/4th) of the Eligible Votes.

2.5. Notice of Meetings.

Written notice of each meeting of the Members shall be given by, or at the direction of, the Secretary or person authorized to call the meeting by mailing a copy of each notice, postage prepaid, at least ten (10) but not more than fifty (50) days before such meeting to each Member entitled to vote thereat addressed to the Member's address last appearing on the books of the Association or supplied by such Member to the Association for the purpose of notice. Such notice shall specify the place, day and hour of the meeting, and, in the case of a special meeting, the purpose of the meeting. When a meeting is adjourned to another date, time or place, a notice of the new date, time or place is not required if the new date, time or place is announced at the meeting before adjournment. At the adjourned meeting, the Association may transact any business which might have been transacted at the original meeting. If a new record date for the adjourned meeting is or must be fixed under Section 2.6, the Association shall give notice of the adjourned meeting pursuant to this Section to persons who are Members as of the new record date.

A Member's attendance at a meeting waives objection to the lack of notice or defective notice of the meeting, unless the Member at the beginning of the meeting objects to holding the meeting and transacting business at the meeting. In addition, a Member's attendance at a meeting waives objection to consideration of a particular matter at the meeting that is not within the purpose or purposes described in the meeting notice, unless the Member objects to considering the matter at the time it is presented.

2.6. Quorum.

Except as otherwise provided in the Articles, the Declaration or these Bylaws, the presence in person or by proxy of Members entitled to cast one-tenth (1/10th) of the Eligible Votes shall constitute a quorum at all meetings of the Members. If a quorum shall not be present at any meeting, the Members entitled to vote thereat shall have the power to adjourn the meeting from time to time until a quorum shall be present.

2.7. Voting and Proxies.

If only one of the multiple Owners of a Lot or Parcel is present at a meeting of the Association, he is entitled to cast all the votes allocated to that Lot or Parcel. If more than one of the multiple Owners are present, the votes allocated to that Lot or Parcel may be cast only in accordance with the agreement of a majority in interest of the multiple Owners unless the Declaration expressly provides otherwise. There is majority agreement if any one of the multiple Owners casts the votes allocated to that Lot or Parcel without protest being made promptly to the person presiding over the meeting by any of the other Owners of the Lot or Parcel.

Votes allocated to a Lot or Parcel may be cast pursuant to a proxy duly executed by an Owner. If a Lot or Parcel is owned by more than one person, each such Owner may vote or register protest to the casting of votes by the other Owners of the Lot or Parcel through a duly executed proxy. An Owner may not revoke a proxy except by actual notice of revocation to the person presiding over a meeting of the Association. A proxy is void if it is not dated or purports to be revocable without notice. The proxy is revoked on presentation of a later dated proxy executed by the same Owner. A proxy terminates one year after its date, unless it specifies a shorter term or unless it states that it is coupled with an interest and is irrevocable.

The Association shall provide for votes to be cast in person and by absentee ballot and may provide for voting by some other form of delivery. Notwithstanding any other provision of the Community Documents any action taken at an annual, regular or special meeting of the Members shall comply with all of the following if absentee ballots are used: (a) the absentee ballot shall set forth each proposed action; (b) the absentee ballot shall provide an opportunity to vote for or against each proposed action; (c) the absentee ballot is valid for only one specified election or meeting of the Members and expires automatically after the completion of the election or meeting; (d) the absentee ballot specifies the time and date by which the ballot must be delivered to the Board in order to be counted, which shall be at least seven days after the date that the Board delivers the unvoted absentee ballot to the Member; and (e) the absentee ballot does not authorize another Person to cast votes on behalf of the Member. Votes cast by absentee ballot or other form of delivery are valid for the purpose of establishing a quorum.

2.8. Record Date.

For any meeting of the Members, the Board shall fix a date as the record date for determining the Members entitled to notice of the meeting. If the Board fails to fix a record date for any meeting of the Members, the record date for determining the Members entitled to notice of the meeting shall be the business day before the day on which the notice of the meeting is given. The Board shall also fix a date as the record date for determining the Members entitled to vote at

a meeting of the Members. If the Board fails to fix such a record date, the Members on the date of the meeting who are otherwise eligible to vote are entitled to vote at the meeting.

A determination of Members entitled to notice of or to vote at a meeting of the Members is effective for any adjournment of the meeting, unless the Board fixed a new date for determining the right to notice or the right to vote. The Board shall fix a new date for determining the right to notice or the right to vote if the meeting is adjourned to a date that is more than seventy (70) days after the record date for determining Members entitled to notice of the original meeting.

The Board shall fix a date as the record date for the purpose of determining the Members entitled to exercise any rights in respect of any other lawful action of the Members. If a different record date is not fixed by the Board or by these Bylaws, Members at the close of business on the day on which the Board adopts the resolution relating to that record date, or the sixtieth (60th) day before the date of other action, whichever is later, are entitled to exercise those rights.

The record date fixed by the Board under this Section shall not be more than seventy (70) days before the meeting or action requiring a determination of Members. If a court orders a meeting adjourned to another date, the original record date for notice of voting continues in effect.

2.9. Organization and Conduct of Meeting.

All Members attending a meeting of the Members shall register with the Secretary (or such person or persons as may be designated by the Secretary) prior to commencement of the meeting, and all proxies must be filed with the Secretary (or such person or persons as may be designated by the Secretary) prior to commencement of the meeting. After the meeting is called to order by the chair of the meeting, no further proxies or changes, substitutions or revocation of proxies shall be accepted. All meetings of the Members will be called to order and chaired by the President of the Association, or if there is no President or if the President is absent or so requests, then by the Vice President. If both the President and Vice President are not present at the meeting, any other officer of the Association or such member of the Association as is appointed by the Board may call the meeting to order and chair the meeting. The chair of the meeting may appoint the Managing Agent (as defined in Section 3.11) to chair the meeting or portions thereof. The chair of the meeting may appoint any person (whether or not a Member) to act as recording secretary. The chair of the meeting shall have the authority to determine the order of business to be conducted at the meeting and to establish reasonable rules for expediting the business of the meeting, but the rulings of the chair with respect to such matters may be overruled by Members having more than fifty percent (50%) of the votes represented in person or by proxy at the meeting.

2.10. Action by Written Ballot.

Any action that the Association may take at any annual, regular or special meeting of the Members may be taken without a meeting if the Association delivers a written ballot to every Member entitled to vote on the matter. The written ballot shall set forth each proposed action and provide an opportunity to vote for or against each proposed action. All solicitations for votes by written ballot shall: (a) indicate the number of responses needed to meet the quorum requirements; (b) state the percentage of approvals necessary to approve each matter other than

election of directors; and (c) specify the time by which a ballot must be delivered to the Association in order to be counted, which time shall not be less than three (3) days after the date that the Association delivers the ballot. Once a written ballot has been received by the Association, the ballot may not be revoked. Approval by written ballot pursuant to this Section is valid only if both the number of votes cast by ballot equals or exceeds the quorum required to be present at a meeting authorizing the action and the number of approvals equals or exceeds the number of votes which would be required to approve the matter at a meeting at which the total number of votes cast was the same as the number of votes cast by ballot. Unless a different record date is fixed by the Board, the record date for determining the Members entitled to vote on matters submitted to a vote by written ballot shall be the business day before the day on which the ballots are delivered to the Members.

2.11. Action by Written Consent.

The Members may approve any action required or permitted by law that requires the Members' approval without a meeting of the Members if the action is approved by Members holding at least a majority of the Eligible Votes, unless the Declaration, Articles, these Bylaws or applicable law require a different amount of Eligible Votes. The action shall be evidenced by one or more written consents describing the action taken, signed by those Members representing at least the requisite amount of the Eligible Votes, and delivered to the Association for inclusion in the minutes or filing with the corporate records of the Association.

If not otherwise fixed by the Board pursuant to Section 2.6, the record date for determining Members entitled to take action without a meeting is the date the first Member signs the consent to the action. A consent signed under this Section has the effect of a meeting vote and may be described as such in any document. Written notice of Member approval pursuant to this Section shall be given to all Members who have not signed the written consent. Unless otherwise specified in the consent or consents, the action is effective on the date that the consent or consents are signed by the last Member whose signature results in the requisite amount of the Eligible Votes. Any Member may revoke the Member's consent by delivering a signed revocation of the consent to the President or Secretary before the date that the consent or consents are signed by the last Member whose signature results in the requisite amount of the Eligible Votes.

Nothing in this Section 2.11 shall excuse the requirement of procuring the approval of the Declarant when required pursuant to these Bylaws, the Articles or the Declaration.

2.12. Voting Requirements.

Unless otherwise provided in the Community Documents, or by law, if a quorum is present at a meeting of the Members, the affirmative vote of a majority of the votes represented and voting is the act of the Members.

**ARTICLE 3
BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

3.1. Number and Terms of Office.

The affairs of this Association shall be managed by a Board of Directors. The initial Board shall consist of three (3) director(s) as provided in the Articles.

- (a) Except as otherwise provided in paragraphs (b) and (c) below, during the Declarant Control Period (as addressed in the Declaration), the Declarant shall have the right to appoint and remove the directors.
- (b) Not later than sixty (60) days after the conveyance of 25% of the Lots to Owners other than Declarant, at least one member (and not less than 25% of the members) of the Board shall be elected by Owners.
- (c) Not later than sixty (60) days after the conveyance of 50% of the Lots to Owners other than Declarant, at least 33% of the Board members shall be elected by the Owners other than the Declarant.
- (d) Not later than the termination of the Declarant Control Period, the Owners shall elect a board of at least three (3) members, at least a majority of whom shall be Owners.

At no time shall the Board of Directors consist of less than three (3) directors. At no time shall the Board of Directors consist of more than nine (9) directors. Until the termination of the Declarant Control Period, the directors need not be Members of the Association. After the termination of the Declarant Control Period, at least a majority of the directors must be Members of the Association. So long as there are Benefited Property Assessment Areas, at least one member of the Board shall be an owner of a Lot within a Benefited Property Area.

The Board may increase or decrease the number of directors on the Board within the minimum and maximum number of directors prescribed by this Section, but the number of directors must always be an odd number. If the number of directors is increased by the Board, the persons appointed to fill the vacancies created by the new directorships shall serve until the next annual meeting of the Members at which time the Members shall determine the term of office of each new directorship and elect a successor to the person appointed by the Board.

Directors appointed by the Declarant shall hold office at the discretion of the Declarant, and if not removed by the Declarant, shall hold office until their successors are elected and qualified. Directors elected by the Members upon the termination of the Declarant Control Period shall serve staggered terms, with one (1) such director serving a term of three (3) years, one (1) such director serving a term of two (2) years, and one (1) such director serving a term of one (1) year. The director receiving the most votes in such election shall serve an initial three (3) year term, the director receiving the next highest number of votes shall serve an initial two (2) year term, and the director receiving the least number of votes shall serve an initial one (1) year term. After expiration of each such term, each newly elected director shall serve a two-year term from the date of election. Despite the expiration of a director's term, a director shall continue to hold office until the director's successor is elected and qualified, until the director's resignation or removal, or until there is a decrease in the number of directors.

3.2. Appointment and Election.

Until the termination of the Declarant Control Period, the Declarant shall have the right to appoint and remove the members of the Board except as otherwise provided in Section 3.1 above. After the termination of the Declarant Control Period, the directors shall be elected by the Members at the annual meeting of the Members. For each election of directors, the Board shall either prescribe an opening and closing date of a reasonable filing period in which each eligible person may declare their candidacy for election to the Board by giving written notice thereof to the Secretary of the Association or appoint a Nominating Committee to nominate candidates for election to the Board. The Board may also establish such other rules and regulations as it deems appropriate with respect to the nomination and election of directors. In each election of directors, the number of candidates equal to the number of positions to be filled receiving the greatest number of votes shall be deemed elected. Cumulative voting will not be permitted in the election of directors.

3.3. Resignation of Directors.

A director may resign at any time by delivering written notice to the Board, its presiding officer or the Association. A resignation is effective when the notice is delivered unless the notice specifies a later effective date or event. If a resignation is made effective at a later date, the Board may fill the pending vacancy before the effective date if the Board provides that the successor does not take office until the effective date.

3.4. Removal of Directors.

The Members, by a majority vote of Members entitled to vote and voting on the matter at a meeting of the Members called pursuant to this Section at which a quorum is present, may remove any member of the Board, with or without cause, other than a member appointed by the Declarant. On receipt of a petition that calls for removal of a member of the Board and that is signed by the number of Persons who are entitled to cast at least twenty-five percent (25%) of the votes in the Association or one hundred (100) votes in the Association, whichever is less, the Board of Directors shall call and provide notice of a special meeting of the Association as prescribed by Section 2.3. The special meeting shall be called, noticed and held within thirty days after receipt of the petition. For purposes of a special meeting called pursuant to this Section, a quorum is present if the number of Owners to whom at least twenty percent (20%) of the votes or one thousand votes, whichever is less, are allocated is present at the meeting or as otherwise permitted by law. The Board shall retain all documents and other records relating to the proposed removal of the member of the Board for at least one year after the date of the special meeting and shall permit Members to inspect those documents and records. A petition that calls for the removal of the same member of the Board shall not be submitted more than once during each term of office for that member. If a civil action is filed regarding the removal of a member of the Board, the prevailing party in the civil action shall be awarded its reasonable attorney fees and costs.

3.5. Compensation.

No director shall receive compensation for any service he may render to the

Association, unless such compensation is approved by Members holding more than twenty-five percent (25%) of the Eligible Votes. However, any director may be reimbursed for his actual expenses incurred in the performance of his duties.

3.6. Action Taken Without a Meeting.

The directors shall have the right to take any action in the absence of a meeting which they could take at a meeting by obtaining the written consent of all the directors. Any such written consent shall be filed with the minutes of the proceedings of the Board. Any action taken by the Board pursuant to this section shall be effective when the last director signs the consent, unless the consent specifies a different effective date.

3.7. Vacancies.

Until the termination of the Declarant Control Period, any vacancy on the Board in relation to a director appointed by the Declarant shall be filled by the Declarant. Any vacancy on the Board in relation to a director elected by the Owners, and, after the termination of the Declarant Control Period, any vacancy occurring in the Board, may be filled by the affirmative vote of a majority of the remaining directors though less than a quorum or by a sole remaining director, and any director so chosen shall serve the remainder of the term of the director he replaces. Any newly created directorship shall be deemed a vacancy. If by reason of death, resignation or otherwise, the Association has no directors in office, any officer or Member may call a special meeting of the Members for the purpose of electing the Board.

3.8. Meetings.

If the time and place of a meeting of the Board is fixed by the Board, the meeting is a regular meeting. All other meetings of the Board are special meetings. Regular meetings (those for which the time and place have been fixed by the Board) of the Board may be held with or without notice to the directors of the date, time, place or purpose of the meeting. Special meetings of the Board may be called by the President on two (2) business days' notice to each director, given in writing, by hand delivery, mail or telegraph, which notice shall state the time, place and purpose of the meeting. Special meetings of the Board shall be called by the President or Secretary in like manner and on like notice on the written request of at least two (2) directors. Notice of meetings of the Board shall be given to the Members of the Association within such time and in such manner as is required by law.

A director's attendance at or participation in a meeting waives any required notice to the director of the meeting, unless the director at the beginning of the meeting or promptly on the director's arrival at the meeting objects to holding the meeting or transacting business at the meeting and does not thereafter vote for or assent to action taken at the meeting. A director may participate in a regular or special meeting of the Board through the use of any means of communication by which all directors participating may simultaneously hear each other during the meeting, and a director participating in a meeting by such means is deemed to be present in person at the meeting.

3.9. Quorum and Voting.

A majority of the prescribed number of directors shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. If a quorum is present when a meeting is convened, the quorum shall be deemed to exist until the meeting is adjourned, notwithstanding the departure of one or more directors. If a quorum is present when a vote is taken, the affirmative vote of a majority of directors present is the act of the Board, unless the Articles or Bylaws require the vote of a greater number of directors.

A director who is present at a meeting of the Board when corporate action is taken is deemed to have assented to the action taken unless either: (a) the director objects at the beginning of the meeting or promptly on the director's arrival to holding it or transacting business at the meeting; (b) the director's dissent or abstention from the action taken is entered in the minutes of the meeting; or (c) the director delivers written notice of the director's dissent or abstention to the presiding officer of the meeting before its adjournment or to the Association before 5:00 P.M. on the next business day after the meeting. The right of dissent or abstention is not available to a director who votes in favor of the action taken.

A director may vote in person or by proxy. A director may appoint another director as a proxy to vote or otherwise act for the director by signing an appointment form, either personally or by the director's attorney-in-fact. The appointment does not relieve the director of liability for acts or omissions imposed by law on directors. An appointment of a proxy is effective when received by the Secretary. An appointment is valid for one (1) month unless a different period is expressly provided in the appointment form. An appointment of a proxy is revocable by the director. The death or incapacity of a director appointing a proxy shall not affect the right of the Association to accept the proxy's authority unless written notice of death or incapacity is received by the Secretary before the proxy exercises its authority under the appointment. Subject to any express limitation on the proxy's authority appearing on the face of the appointment form, the Association is entitled to accept the proxy's vote or other action as the vote of the director making the appointment.

3.10. Powers and Duties.

The Board shall have all of the powers and duties necessary for the administration of the Association's affairs and for performing all responsibilities and exercising all rights of the Association as set forth in the Community Documents or as provided by law. The Board may do or cause to be done any act which the Community Documents do not direct to be done by the Members.

The duties of the Board shall include, without limitation:

- (a) opening bank accounts on behalf of the Association and designate the signatories thereon;
- (b) making, or contracting for the making, of repairs, additions to, improvements to or alterations of the Areas of

Association Responsibility, in accordance with the Community Documents, after damage or destruction by fire or other casualty, or as a result of condemnation or eminent domain proceedings;

- (c) enforcing the provisions of the Community Documents by any and all means authorized by the Community Documents or by law; provided, however, that the Association shall not be obligated to take action to enforce any provision of the Community Documents if the Board determines, in its sole discretion, that because of the strength of the Association's position, possible defenses, the time and expenses of litigation or other enforcement action, the likelihood of a result favorable to the Association or other factors deemed relevant by the Board, enforcement action would not be appropriate or in the best interests of the Association;
- (d) designating, hiring and dismissing the personnel necessary for the maintenance, operation, repair, replacement of the Areas of Association Responsibility and providing services for the Members, and, where appropriate, providing for the compensation of such personnel and for the purchase of equipment, supplies and material to be used by such personnel in the performance of their duties;
- (e) providing for the operation, care, upkeep and maintenance of all of the Areas of Association Responsibility and borrowing money on behalf of the Association when required in connection with the operation, upkeep and maintenance for the Areas of Association Responsibility;
- (f) preparing and adopting a budget for the Association prior to the commencement of each fiscal year and set the Regular Assessment for each Assessable Lot;
- (g) adopting Association Rules as provided in the Declaration;
- (h) declaring the office of a member of the Board to be vacant in the event such member shall be absent from three (3) consecutive regular meetings of the Board;
- (i) employing, hiring and dismissing such employees as they deem necessary and to prescribe their duties and their compensation;

- (j) causing to be kept a complete record of all its acts and corporate affairs;
- (k) supervising all officers, agents and employees of the Association and seeing that their duties are properly performed;
- (l) levying, collecting and enforcing the payment of Assessments in accordance with the provisions of the Declaration;
- (m) procuring and maintaining adequate property, liability and other insurance as required by the Declaration; and
- (n) causing all officers or employees having fiscal responsibilities to be bonded, as the Board may deem appropriate.

3.11. Managing Agent.

The Board may employ for the Association and the Project a professional manager ("Managing Agent") at a compensation established by the Board. The Board may delegate to the Managing Agent such powers as are necessary for the Managing Agent to perform the duties assigned to the Managing Agent by the Board, but the Board shall not delegate to the Managing Agent policymaking authority or the power to:

- (a) adopt the annual budget, any amendment thereto or to levy Assessments;
- (b) adopt, repeal or amend Association Rules;
- (c) designate signatories on Association bank accounts;
- (d) borrow money on behalf of the Association;
- (e) acquire real property on behalf of the Association.

So long as the Declarant owns any Lot or Parcel, any change in the Managing Agent must be approved in writing by the Declarant. Declarant or an affiliate of Declarant may be employed as a Managing Agent.

3.12. Suspension of Member Rights or Privileges.

The Board shall not suspend the voting rights of a Member, a Member's right to use the Common Area or any other right or privilege of a Member pursuant to any authority to suspend such rights granted to the Board in the Community Documents without first complying with

procedures set forth in this Section. Written notice of any such suspension (the "Suspension Notice") shall be given to the Member at least fifteen (15) days prior to the effective date of the suspension, and such notice shall state the reasons for such suspension. The notice shall also advise the Member of the Member's opportunity to submit to the Board at least five (5) days before the effective date of the suspension a written statement contesting the suspension and setting forth the Member's position with respect to the suspension. Notwithstanding the submission of a written statement by the Member, the suspension shall become effective on the effective date set forth in the Suspension Notice, unless the Board decides that the suspension should not become effective.

3.13. Right of Declarant to Veto Actions.

So long as the Declarant owns any Lot or Parcel, the Declarant shall have the right to veto any action, policy or program of the Association, the Board and any committee which, in the sole judgment of the Declarant, would tend to impair or limit the rights of the Declarant under the Declaration or these Bylaws, or interfere with development or construction of any portion of the Property, or diminish the level of services being provided by the Association.

The Declarant shall be given written notice of all meetings and proposed actions of the members by written consent or written ballot without a meeting and of all meetings and proposed actions of the Board or any committee by written consent without a meeting at least fifteen (15) days prior to the meeting or proposed action. Such notice shall be given by United States mail, postage prepaid, or by personal delivery at the address the Declarant has/have registered with the Secretary of the Association, which notice shall, except in the case of the annual meeting of the Members, set forth with reasonable particularity the agenda to be followed at such meeting.

The Declarant shall be given the opportunity at any such meeting to participate in or to have its representatives or agents participate in discussion from the floor of any prospective action, policy, or program which would be subject to the veto right set forth in this Section. No action, policy or program subject to the Declarant's veto right set forth in this Section shall become effective or be implemented until and unless the requirements of this Section have been met.

The Declarant, through its representatives or agents, may make its concerns, thoughts and suggestions known to the Board and/or the members of a committee. The Declarant acting through any officer or director, agent or authorized representative, may exercise its/their right to disapprove at any time within ten (10) days following the meeting at which such action was taken or, in the case of any action taken by written consent or written ballot in lieu of a meeting, at any time within ten (10) days following receipt of written notice of the action taken. The Declarant may use its veto right to block proposed actions. The Declarant shall not use its veto right to reduce the level of services which the Association is obligated by the Declaration to provide, or to prevent capital repairs or any expenditure required to comply with applicable laws and regulations.

3.14. Voluntary Termination

At any time before the termination of the Declarant Control Period, the Declarant

may voluntarily terminate its right to appoint and remove officers and members of the Board, in which event, for the duration of the Declarant Control Period, the Declarant or the Declarant's designee shall have the right to approve, before they become effective, the specific actions of the Association or the Board addressed in the Declaration that require the Declarant's approval during the Declarant Control Period, and the specific actions of the Association or the Board described in any recorded instrument executed by the Declarant.

ARTICLE 4 OFFICERS AND THEIR DUTIES

4.1. Enumeration of Officers.

The principal officers of the Association shall be a President, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer. All officers shall be elected by the Board. After the termination of the Declarant Control Period, the president must be a member of the Board. Any other officers may, but need not, be members of the Board. The Board may elect such other officers as the Board deems desirable, each of whom shall hold office for such period, have such authority, and perform such duties as the Board may, from time to time, determine. The same individual may simultaneously hold more than one office in the Association.

4.2. Election of Officers.

The election of officers shall take place at the first meeting of the Board following each annual meeting of the Members.

4.3. Term.

The officers of the Association shall be elected annually by the Board and each shall hold office for one (1) year unless he shall sooner resign, or shall be removed, or otherwise disqualified to serve.

4.4. Resignation and Removal.

Any officer may be removed from office with or without cause by the Board. Any officer may resign at any time by giving written notice to the Association. A resignation is effective when the notice is delivered unless the notice specifies a later date or event. The acceptance of a resignation shall not be necessary to make it effective. If a resignation is made effective at a later date or event and the Board accepts the later effective date, the Board may fill the pending vacancy before the effective date if the Board provides that the successor shall not take office until the effective date.

4.5. Vacancies.

A vacancy in any office may be filled by appointment by the Board. The officer appointed to such vacancy shall serve for the remainder of the term of the officer he replaces.

4.6. Powers and Duties.

To the extent such powers and duties are not assigned or delegated to a Managing Agent pursuant to Section 3.11, the powers and duties of the officers shall be as follows:

President. The president shall be the chief executive officer of the Association; shall preside at all meetings of the Board or the Members; and have general and active management of the business of the Association;

Vice-President. The vice-president shall act in the place and stead of the president in the event of his absence, inability or refusal to act, and shall exercise and discharge such other duties as may be required of him by the Board;

Secretary. The secretary shall record the votes and keep the minutes of all meetings and proceedings of the Board and of the Members; serve notice of meetings of the Board and of the Members; keep appropriate current records showing the Members of the Association together with their addresses, and shall perform such other duties as required by the Board;

Treasurer. The treasurer shall receive and deposit in appropriate bank accounts all monies of the Association and shall disburse such funds for appropriate Association purposes as set forth in the Community Documents; keep proper books of account; prepare an annual budget and a statement of income and expenditures; and, in general, perform all the duties incident to the office of treasurer.

ARTICLE 5 COMMITTEES

5.1. Committees of the Board.

The Board may create one or more committees and appoint members of the Board to serve on them. Each committee shall have one or more members, and each member of a committee shall serve at the pleasure of the Board. The creation of a committee and appointment of members of the Board to the committee must be approved by the greater of: (a) a majority of all the directors in office when the action is taken; or (b) the number of directors required by Section 3.9 to take action. The provisions of these Bylaws governing meetings, action without meetings and notice, waiver of notice, quorum and voting requirements of the Board shall also apply to committees and their members.

Each committee of the Board may exercise the authority of the Board to the extent specified by the Board, except that a committee shall not take any of the following actions: (a) authorize distributions; (b) approve or recommend to the Members any action that requires the

Members' approval under the Community Documents or by law; (c) fill vacancies on the Board or on any of its committees; (d) adopt, amend or repeal these Bylaws; and (e) fix the compensation of directors for serving on the Board of Directors or any committee of the Board. The Board may designate one or more directors as alternate members of any committee who may replace any absent member at any meeting of the committee.

5.2. Other Committees.

In addition to Committees of the Board, the Board may appoint committees consisting of members and/or non-members of the Board to perform such tasks as the Board deems necessary or desirable. Any such committees shall be advisory only and shall not have the power to exercise any authority of the Board.

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that I am the duly elected Secretary of the Ascension Community Association, Inc. and that the foregoing Bylaws constitute the original Bylaws of the Association and were duly adopted by the Board of Directors of the Association on the ____ day of _____, 2021.

Brian McCarthy, President

Mackenzie Bishop, Secretary