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#### DECLARATION OF COVENANTS, CONDITIONS, RESTRICTIONS AND EASEMENTS OF SAGEWOOD, A SUBDIVISION IN DOUGLAS COUNTY, NEBRASKA (Townhomes and Villas of Sagewood)

THIS DECLARATION, made on the date hereinafter set forth, is made by SAGEWOOD DEVELOPMENT COMPANY, LLC, a Nebraska limited liability company, hereinafter referred to as the "Declarant".

#### **PRELIMINARY STATEMENT**

The Declarant is the owner of certain real property located within Douglas County, Nebraska and described as follows:

Lots 285 through 357, inclusive and Lots 422 through 438, inclusive, Sagewood, a subdivision, as surveyed, platted and recorded in Douglas County, Nebraska ("Sagewood")

Such lots are herein referred to collectively as the "Lots" and individually as each "Lot".

The Declarant desires to provide for the preservation of the values and amenities of Sagewood, for the maintenance of the character and residential integrity of Sagewood, and for the acquisition, construction and maintenance of Common Facilities for the use and enjoyment of the residents of Sagewood.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Declarant hereby declares that each and all of the Lots shall be held, sold and conveyed subject to the following restrictions, covenants, conditions and easements, all of which are for the purpose of enhancing and protecting the value, desirability and attractiveness of the Lots, and the enjoyment of the residents of the Lots. These restrictions, covenants, conditions and easements shall run with such Lots and shall be binding upon all parties having or acquiring any right, title or interest in each Lot, or any part thereof, as is more fully described herein. The Lots, and each Lot is and shall be subject to all and each of the following conditions and other terms:

### ARTICLE I. RESTRICTIONS AND COVENANTS

- 1. Each Lot shall be used exclusively for single-family detached and attached residential purposes, except for such Lots or parts thereof as may hereafter be conveyed or dedicated by Declarant, or its successors or assigns, for use in connection with a Common Facility, or as a church, school, park, outlot, or for other non-profit use.
- 2. No residence, building, fence (other than fences constructed by the Declarant), wall, pathway, driveway, patio, patio cover enclosure, deck, rock garden, swimming pool, dog house, pool house, tennis court, flag pole, satellite receiving station or "discs", solar heating or cooling device, or other external improvement, above or below the ground (herein all referred to as any "Improvement") shall be constructed, erected, placed or permitted to remain on any Lot, nor shall any grading, excavation or tree removal for any Improvement be commenced, except for Improvements which have been approved by Declarant as follows:

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- A. An owner desiring to erect an Improvement shall deliver two sets of construction plans, landscaping plans and plot plans to Declarant (herein collectively referred to as the "plans"). Such plans shall include a description type, quality, color (including any color change) and use of materials proposed for the exterior of such Improvement. Concurrent with submission of the plans, Owner shall notify the Declarant of the Owner's mailing address.
- B. Declarant shall review such plans in relation to the type and exterior of improvements constructed, or approved for construction, on neighboring Lots and in the surrounding area, and any general scheme or plans formulated by Declarant. In this regard, Declarant intends that the Lots shall form a residential community with homes constructed of high quality materials. The decision to approve or refuse approval of a proposed Improvement shall be exercised by Declarant to promote development of the Lots and to protect the values, character and residential quality of all Lots. If Declarant determines that the proposed Improvement will not protect and enhance the integrity and character of all the Lots and neighboring Lots as a quality residential community, Declarant may refuse approval of the proposed Improvement.
- C. Written Notice of any approval of a proposed Improvement shall be mailed (or faxed) to the owner at the address specified by the owner upon submission of the plans. Such notice shall be mailed (or faxed), if at all, within thirty (30) days after the date of submission of the plans. If notice of approval is not mailed (or faxed) within such period, the proposed Improvement shall be deemed disapproved by Declarant.
- D. No Lot owner, or combination of Lot owners, or other person or persons shall have any right to any action by Declarant, or to control, direct or influence the acts of the Declarant with respect to any proposed Improvement. No responsibility, liability or obligation shall be assumed by or imposed upon Declarant by virtue of the authority granted to Declarant in this Section, or as a result of any act or failure to act by Declarant with respect to any proposed Improvement.
- 3. No single-family residence shall be created, altered, placed or permitted to remain on any Lot other than one detached single-family dwelling which does not exceed two and one-half stories in height. No structure, building or porch shall be constructed, erected, installed or situated within twenty-five (25) feet of the front yard line, except as set forth herein. All Improvements on the Lots shall comply with all other set back requirements of the Zoning Code of the Municipal Code of the City of Omaha, Nebraska.
- 4. The exposed front foundation walls of all main residential structures must be constructed of or faced with clay-fired brick or stone or other material approved by Declarant. All exposed side and rear concrete or concrete block foundation walls not facing a street must be covered with clay-fired brick, stone, siding or shall be painted. All driveways must be constructed of concrete, brick, paving stone, or laid stone. All foundations shall be constructed of concrete, concrete blocks, brick or stone. Fireplace chimneys shall be covered with wood or other material approved in writing by Declarant. Unless other materials are specifically approved by Declarant, the roof of all Improvements shall be covered with weatherwood heritage shingles.
- 5. No streamers, posters, banners, balloons, exterior illumination or other rallying devices will be allowed on any Lot in the promotion or sale of any Lot, residential structure or property unless approved in writing by the Declarant. No advertising signs, billboards, unsightly objects or nuisances shall be erected, placed or permitted to remain on any Lot except one sign per Lot consisting of not more than six (6) square feet advertising a Lot as "For Sale". No business activities of any kind whatsoever shall be conducted on any Lot including home occupations as defined in the Zoning Code of the Municipal Code of the City of Omaha, Nebraska; nor shall the premises be used in any way for any purpose which may endanger the health or unreasonably disturb the owner or owners of any Lot or any resident thereof. Provided, however, the foregoing paragraph shall not apply to the business activities, signs and billboards or the construction and maintenance of buildings, if any, by Declarant, their agents or assigns, during the construction and sale of the Lots.

- 6. No obnoxious or offensive activity shall be carried on upon any Lot, nor shall anything be done thereon which may be, or may become, an annoyance or nuisance to the neighborhood, including, but not limited to, odors, dust, glare, sound, lighting, smoke, vibration and radiation. Exterior lighting installed on any Lot shall either be indirect or of such a controlled focus and intensity as not to disturb the residents of adjacent Lots. Any change in color and use of materials for the exterior of any Improvement subsequent to Declarant's initial approval shall be submitted to the Declarant or its assigns for review in accordance with Article I, Section 2 hereof.
- 7. Exterior television or radio antenna of any sort shall not be permitted on any Lot, except a satellite receiving dish not exceeding 24 inches in diameter and attached directly to the residence may be permitted provided that the location and size of the proposed satellite receiving dish be first approved by the Declarant, or its assigns. No tree houses, tool sheds, doll houses, windmills, or similar structures shall be permitted on any Lot.
- 8. No repair of any boats, automobiles, motorcycles, trucks, campers (trailers, van-type, auto-drawn or mounted), snowmobiles, recreational vehicles (RV), other self-propelled vehicles or similar vehicles requiring a continuous time period in excess of forty-eight (48) hours shall be permitted on any Lot at any time; nor shall vehicles offensive to the neighborhood be visibly stored, parked or abandoned on any Lot. No unused building material, junk or rubbish shall be left exposed on the Lot except during actual building operations, and then only in as neat and inconspicuous a manner as possible.
- 9. No boat, camper, trailer, auto-drawn or mounted trailer of any kind, mobile home, truck, aircraft, camper truck or similar chattel shall be maintained or stored on any part of a Lot (other than in an enclosed structure) for more than twenty (20) days within a calendar year. No motor vehicle may be parked or stored outside on any Lot, except vehicles driven on a regular basis by the occupants of the dwelling located on such Lot. No grading or excavating equipment, tractors or semitractors/trailers shall be stored, parked, kept or maintained in any yards, driveways or streets. However, this Section 9 shall not apply to trucks, tractors or commercial vehicles which are necessary for the construction of residential dwellings during the period of construction. All residential Lots shall provide at least the minimum number of off street parking areas or spaces for private passenger vehicles required by the applicable zoning ordinances of the City of Omaha, Nebraska.
- 10. No incinerator or trash burner shall be permitted on any Lot. No garbage or trash can or container or fuel tank shall be permitted unless completely screened from view, except for pickup purposes. No garden lawn or maintenance equipment of any kind whatsoever shall be stored or permitted to remain outside of any dwelling or suitable storage facility, except when in actual use. No garbage, refuse, rubbage or cutting shall be deposited on any street, road or Lot. No clothes line shall be permitted outside of any dwelling at any time. Produce or vegetable gardens may only be maintained in rear yards.
- 11. No fence shall be permitted to extend beyond the front line of a main residential structure. No hedges or mass planted shrubs shall be permitted more than ten (10) feet in front of the front building line. Unless other materials are specifically approved in writing by Declarant, fences shall only be composed of wood, wrought iron or vinyl. Cyclone type fences are specifically not permitted.
- 12. No swimming pool may extend more than one foot above ground level; provided, however this shall not include a temporary small swimming pool not exceeding two feet (2') in height and not requiring a City of Omaha permit for the pool or a surrounding fence.
- 13. Construction of any Improvement shall be completed within one (I) year from the date of commencement of excavation or construction of the Improvement. No excavation dirt shall be spread across any Lot in such a fashion as to materially change the grade or contour of any Lot.
- 14. A public sidewalk shall be constructed of concrete four (4) feet wide by four (4) inches thick in front of each Lot and upon each street side of each corner Lot. The sidewalk shall be placed five (5) feet back of the street curb line and shall be constructed by the owner of the Lot prior to the time of completion of the main structure and before occupancy thereof; provided, however, this provision shall vary to comply with any requirements of the City of Omaha.

- 15. Driveway approaches between the sidewalk and curb on each Lot shall be constructed of concrete. Should repair or replacement of such approach be necessary, the repair or replacement shall also be of concrete. No asphalt overlay of driveway approaches will be permitted.
- No stable or other shelter for any animal, livestock, fowl or poultry shall be erected, altered, placed or permitted to remain on any Lot, except for one dog house; provided always that the construction plans, specifications and the location of the proposed structure have been first approved by Declarant, or its assigns, if required by this Declaration. Dog houses shall only be allowed at the rear of the residence, attached to or immediately adjacent to the residence. Dog runs or kennels shall be permitted only with the approval of the Declarant, or its assigns; provided always that any permitted dog run or kennel shall be located immediately adjacent to the rear of the residence. No animals, livestock, agricultural-type animals, fowl, or poultry of any kind, including pot-bellied pigs, shall be raised, bred or kept on any Lot, except that dogs, cats, or other household pets maintained within the residential structure may be kept, provided that they are not kept, bred or maintained for any commercial purpose and, provided, that they are kept confined to the Lot of their Owner and are not permitted to run loose outside the Lot of the Owner.
- 17. Any exterior air conditioning condenser unit shall be placed in the rear yard or any side yards so as not to be visible from public view. No grass, weeds or other vegetation will be grown or otherwise permitted to commence or continue, and no dangerous, diseased or otherwise objectionable shrubs or trees will be maintained on any Lot so as to constitute an actual or potential public nuisance, create a hazard or undesirable proliferation, or detract from a neat and trim appearance. Vacant Lots shall not be used for dumping of earth or any waste materials, and no vegetation on vacant Lots shall be allowed to reach a height in excess of twelve (12) inches.
- 18. No Residence shall be constructed on a Lot unless the entire Lot, as originally platted, is owned by one owner of such Lot, except if parts of two or more platted Lots have been combined into one Lot which is at least as wide as the narrowest Lot on the original plat, and is as large in area as the largest Lot in the original plat.
- 19. No structure of a temporary character, carport, detached garage, trailer, basement, tent, outbuilding or shack shall be erected upon or used on any Lot at any time, either temporarily or permanently. No structure or dwelling shall be moved from outside Sagewood to any Lot without the written approval of Declarant.
  - 20. All utility service lines from each Lot line to a dwelling or other Improvement shall be underground.
- 21. Declarant does hereby reserve unto itself the right to require the installation of siltation fences or erosion control devices and measures in such location, configurations, and designs as it may determine appropriate in its sole and absolute discretion.

## ARTICLE II. HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION

- 1. <u>The Association</u>. Declarant has caused the incorporation of SAGEWOOD HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, a Nebraska not for profit corporation (hereinafter referred to as the "Association"). The Association has as its purpose the promotion of the health, safety, recreation, welfare and enjoyment of the residents of the Lots, including:
  - A. The acquisition, construction, landscaping, improvement, equipment, maintenance, operation, repair, upkeep and replacement of Common Facilities and trash removal for the general use, benefit and enjoyment of the Members. Common Facilities may include recreational facilities such as swimming pools, tennis courts, health facilities, playgrounds and parks; and dedicated and nondedicated roads, paths, ways and green areas; signs and entrances for Sagewood. Common Facilities may be situated on property owned or leased by the Association, on public property, on private property subject to an easement in favor of the Association, on property dedicated to a Sanitary Improvement District, or on Outlots within Sagewood.

- B. The promulgation, enactment, amendment and enforcement of rules and regulations relating to the use and enjoyment of any Common Facilities, provided always that such rules are uniformly applicable to all Members. The rules and regulations may permit or restrict use of the Common Facilities by Members, their families, their guests, and/or by other persons, who may be required to pay a fee or other charge in connection with the use or enjoyment of the Common Facility.
- C. The exercise, promotion, enhancement and protection of the privileges and interests of the residents of Sagewood; and the protection and maintenance of the residential character of Sagewood.
- 2. <u>Membership and Voting.</u> Sagewood is divided into four hundred fifty five (455) separate and attached residential lots (referred to as the "Lots"). The "Owner" of each Lot shall be a Member of this Association. For purposes of this Declaration, the term "Owner" of a Lot means and refers to the record owner, whether one or more persons or entities, of fee simple title to a Lot, but excluding however those parties having any interest in any of such Lot merely as security for the performance of an obligation (such as a contract seller, the trustee or beneficiary of a deed of trust, or a mortgagee). The purchaser of a Lot under a land contract or similar instrument shall be considered to be the "Owner" of the Lot for purposes of this Declaration. Membership shall be appurtenant to ownership of each Lot, and may not be separated from ownership of each Lot.

The Owner of each Lot, whether one or more persons and entities, shall be entitled to one (1) vote on each matter properly coming before the Members of the Association.

- 3. <u>Purposes and Responsibilities</u>. The Association shall have the powers conferred upon not for profit corporations by the Nebraska Nonprofit Corporation Act, and all powers and duties necessary and appropriate to accomplish the purposes and administer the affairs of the Association. The powers and duties to be exercised by the Board of Directors, and upon authorization of the Board of Directors by the Officers, shall include but shall not be limited to the following:
  - A. The acquisition, development, maintenance, repair, replacement, operation and administration of Common Facilities, and the enforcement of the rules and regulations relating to the Common Facilities.
  - B. The landscaping, mowing, watering, repair and replacement of parks and other public property and improvements on parks or public property within or near Sagewood.
  - C. The fixing, levying, collecting, abatement, and enforcement of all charges, dues, or assessments made pursuant to the terms of this Declaration.
  - D. The expenditure, commitment and payment of Association funds to accomplish the purposes of the Association including, but not limited to, payment for purchase of insurance covering any Common Facility against property damage and casualty, and purchase of liability insurance coverages for the Association, the Board of Directors of the Association and the Members.
  - E. The exercise of all of the powers and privileges, and the performance of all of the duties and obligations of the Association as set forth in this Declaration, as the same may be amended from time to time.
  - F. The acquisition by purchase or otherwise, holding, or disposition of any right, title or interest in real or personal property, wherever located, in connection with the affairs of the Association.

- G. The deposit, investment and reinvestment of Association funds in bank accounts, securities, money market funds or accounts, mutual funds, pooled funds, certificates of deposit or the like.
- H. The employment of professionals and consultants to advise and assist the Officers and Board of Directors of the Association in the performance of their duties and responsibilities for the Association.
- I. General administration and management of the Association, and execution of such documents and doing and performance of such acts as may be necessary or appropriate to accomplish such administration or management.
- J. The doing and performing of such acts, and the execution of such instruments and documents, as may be necessary or appropriate to accomplish the purposes of the Association.
- 4. <u>Mandatory Duties of Association</u>. The Association shall maintain and repair the fence, signs and landscaping which have been installed in easement areas of the Sagewood subdivision and center islands dividing dedicated roads, in generally good and neat condition.
- 5. <u>Imposition of Dues and Assessments</u>. The Association may fix, levy and charge the Owner of each Lot with dues and assessments (herein referred to respectively as "dues and assessments") under the following provisions of this Declaration. Except as otherwise specifically provided, the dues and assessments shall be fixed by the Board of Directors of the Association and shall be payable at the times and in the manner prescribed by the Board.
- 6. <u>Abatement of Dues and Assessments</u>. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Declaration, the Board of Directors may abate all or part of the dues or assessments due in respect of any Lot, and shall abate all dues and assessments due in respect of any Lot during the period such Lot is owned by the Declarant.
- 7. <u>Liens and Personal Obligations for Dues and Assessments</u>. The assessments and dues, together with interest thereon, costs and reasonable attorneys' fees, shall be the personal obligation of the Owner of each Lot at the time when the dues or assessments first become due and payable. The dues and assessments, together with interest thereon, costs and reasonable attorneys' fees, shall also be a charge and continuing lien upon the Lot in respect of which the dues and assessments are charged. The personal obligation for delinquent assessments shall not pass to the successor in title to the Owner at the time the dues and assessments become delinquent unless such dues and assessments are expressly assumed by the successors, but all successors shall take title subject to the lien for such dues and assessments, and shall be bound to inquire of the Association as to the amount of any unpaid assessments or dues.
- 8. <u>Purpose of Dues</u>. The dues collected by the Association may be committed and expended to accomplish the purposes of the Association described in Section 1 of this Article, and to perform the Powers and Responsibilities of the Association described in Sections 3 and 4 of this Article.
- 9. <u>Maximum Annual Dues</u>. Unless excess dues have been authorized by the Members in accordance with Section 11, below, the aggregate dues which may become due and payable in any year shall not exceed the greater of:
  - A. Two Hundred and no/100 Dollars (\$200.00) per Lot.
  - B. In each calendar year beginning on January 1, 2008, one hundred twenty-five percent (125%) of the aggregate dues charged in the previous calendar year.
- 10. <u>Assessments for Extraordinary Costs.</u> In addition to the dues, the Board of Directors may levy an assessment or assessments for the purpose of defraying, in whole or in part, the costs of any acquisition, construction, reconstruction, repair, painting, maintenance, improvement, or replacement of any Common Facility, including fixtures

and personal property related thereto, and related facilities. The aggregate assessments in each calendar year shall be limited in amount to Two Hundred and no/100 Dollars (\$200.00) per Lot.

- 11. <u>Excess Dues and Assessments</u>. With the approval of seventy-five percent of the Members of the Association, the Board of Directors may establish dues and/or assessments in excess of the maximums established in this Declaration.
- 12. <u>Uniform Rate of Assessment</u>. Assessments and dues shall be fixed at a uniform rate as to all Lots, but dues may be abated as to individual Lots, as provided in Section 5, above.
- 13. <u>Certificate as to Dues and Assessments</u>. The Association shall, upon written request and for a reasonable charge, furnish a certificate signed by an officer of the Association setting forth whether the dues and assessments on a specified Lot have been paid to the date of request, the amount of any delinquent sums, and the due date and amount of the next succeeding dues, assessment or installment thereof. The dues and assessment shall be and become a lien as of the date such amounts first become due and payable.
- 14. Effect of Nonpayment of Assessments-Remedies of the Association. Any installment of dues or assessment which is not paid when due shall be delinquent. Delinquent dues or assessment shall bear interest from the due date at the rate of sixteen percent (16%) per annum, compounded annually. The Association may bring an action at law against the Owner personally obligated to pay the same, or foreclose the lien against the Lot or Lots, and pursue any other legal or equitable remedy. The Association shall be entitled to recover as a part of the action and shall be indemnified against the interest, costs and reasonable attorneys' fees incurred by the Association with respect to such action. No Owner may waive or otherwise escape liability for the charge and lien provided for herein by nonuse of the Common Area or abandonment of an Owner's Lot. The mortgagee of any Lot shall have the right to cure any delinquency of an Owner by payment of all sums due, together with interest, costs and fees. The Association shall assign to such mortgagee all of its rights with respect to such lien and right of foreclosure and such mortgagee may thereupon be subrogated to any rights of the Association.
- 15. <u>Subordination of the Lien to Mortgagee</u>. The lien of dues and assessments provided for herein shall be subordinate to the lien of any mortgage, contract or deed of trust given as collateral for a home improvement or purchase money loan. Sale or transfer of any Lot shall not affect or terminate the dues and assessment lien.
- Additional Lots. Declarant reserves the right, without consent or approval of any Owner or Member, to expand the Association to include additional residential lots in any subdivision which is contiguous to any of the Lots. Such expansion(s) may be affected from time to time by the Declarant or Declarant's assignee by recordation with the Register of Deeds of Douglas County, Nebraska, of a Declaration of Covenants, Conditions, Restrictions and Easements, executed and acknowledged by Declarant or Declarant's assignee, setting forth the identity of the additional residential lots (hereinafter the "Subsequent Phase Declaration").

Upon the recording of any Subsequent Phase Declaration which expands the residential lots included in the Association, the additional lots identified in the Subsequent Phase Declaration shall be considered to be and shall be included in the "Lots" for purposes of this Article II, and the Owners of the additional residential lots shall be Members of the Association with all rights, privileges and obligations accorded or accruing to Members of the Association.

#### ARTICLE III. TOWNHOME & VILLA ASSOCIATION

Declarant has caused the incorporation of SAGEWOOD TOWNHOME & VILLA ASSOCIATION, a Nebraska not for profit corporation (referred to in this Article as the "Townhome/Villa Association"). The Townhome/Villa Association has as its purpose the promotion of the health, safety, recreation, welfare and enjoyment of the residents of Sagewood, including:

A. The acquisition, construction, landscaping, improvement, equipment, operation,

repair, upkeep and replacement and the maintenance and repair of the improvements to the Lots as set forth herein.

- B. The promulgation, enactment, amendment and enforcement of rules and regulations relating to the use and enjoyment of the Lots, provided always that such rules are uniformly applicable to all Members.
- C. The exercise, promotion, enhancement and protection of the privileges and interests of the residents of the Lots; and the protection and maintenance of the residential character of the Lots.
- 1. <u>Townhome/Villa Association</u>. "Townhome/Villa Association" shall mean and refer to Sagewood Townhome & Villa Association, a Nebraska nonprofit corporation, its successors and assigns.
- 2. <u>Covenants.</u> "Covenants" shall refer to the "Declaration of Covenants, Conditions, Restrictions and Easements of Sagewood (Townhomes and Villas of Sagewood), a Subdivision in Douglas County, Nebraska."
  - 3. Owner. "Owner" shall mean and refer to:
  - (a) The record owner, whether one or more persons or entities, of a fee simple title to any Lot which is a part of the Properties, but excluding those having such interest merely as security for the performance of an obligation or as an encumbrance upon the interest of the beneficial owner, and
  - (b) The purchaser, whether one or more persons or entitles, under a recorded contract for the sale and purchase of a Lot, under which the Seller retains title solely as security for the performance of the purchasers obligation under the contract.
  - 4. <u>Properties</u>. "Properties" shall mean and refer to:

Lots 285 through 357, inclusive and Lots 422 through 438, inclusive, Sagewood, a subdivision, as surveyed, platted and recorded in Douglas County, Nebraska ("Sagewood")

together with any such additions thereto as may hereafter be brought within the jurisdiction of the Townhome/Villa Association.

- 5. Lots. "Lot" shall mean and refer to any platted Lot shown upon any recorded subdivision map of the Properties or one of two parcels resulting from a Lot split of a duplex zoned Lot.
- 6. <u>Improved Lot</u>. "Improved Lot" shall mean and refer to any Lot included within the Properties upon which shall be erected a dwelling the construction of which shall be at least eighty percent (80%) completed according to the plans and specifications for construction of said dwelling.
- 7. <u>Assessable Lot</u>. "Assessable Lot" shall mean and refer to any Improved Lot that the Board of Directors of the Townhome/Villa Association determines is entitled to the benefits for which assessments are levied by the Townhome/Villa Association as provided in this instrument.
- 8. <u>Declarant</u>. "Declarant" shall mean and refer to all persons and entities signing this instrument, and their successors and assigns.
- 9. <u>Voting</u>. The Townhome/Villa Association may suspend the voting rights of an Owner for any period during which any assessment against such Owner's Lot remains unpaid, and for any period not to exceed sixty (60) days for any infraction by any such Owner, or members or such Owner's family, or guests or tenants of such

Owner, of the published rules and regulations of the Townhome/Villa Association.

- 10. <u>Parking Rights</u>. Ownership of any Lot shall entitle the Owner or Owners thereof to such parking rights as shall be permitted under local ordinances and as may be permitted by the Covenants.
- 11. Additional Lots. Declarant reserves the right, without consent or approval of any Owner or Member, to expand the property to which this Declaration is applicable to include additional residential lots in any subdivision which is contiguous to any of the Lots. Such expansion may be affected from time to time by the Declarant by recordation with the Register of Deeds of Douglas County, Nebraska, of an Amendment of Declaration, executed and acknowledged by Declarant, setting forth the identity of the additional residential lots which shall become subject to this Declaration.

Upon the filing of any Amendment to Declaration which expands the property subject to this Declaration, the additional residential lots identified in the Amendment shall be considered to be and shall be included in the "Lots" for all purposes under this Declaration, and the Owners of the additional residential lots shall be Members of the Townhome/Villa Association with all rights, privileges and obligations accorded or accruing to Members of the Townhome/Villa Association.

- 12. <u>Membership</u>. Every Owner of a Lot which is subject to assessment shall be a member of the Townhome/Villa Association. Each Lot Owner is empowered to enforce the covenants. Membership shall be appurtenant to and shall not be separated from ownership of any Lot which is subject to any assessment.
  - A. Members holding 1/10<sup>th</sup> of the votes entitled to be cast represented in person or by proxy shall constitute a quorum.
- 13. <u>Voting</u>. The Townhome/Villa Association shall have two classes of voting members, Class A Members and Class B Members, defined as follows:
  - CLASS A: Class A Members shall be all Owners, including the Declarant. Each Class A Member shall be entitled to one vote for each Lot owned. When there shall be more than one person or entity holding an interest in any Lot, all such persons or entities or both, shall be Members; provided however that the vote for such Lot shall be exercised as such persons or entities or both, shall determine, but in no event shall more than one vote be cast with respect to any one Lot.
  - CLASS B: Class B Members shall be the Declarant who shall be entitled to two votes for each Lot owned by the Declarant. The Class B membership shall terminate with the Declarant then continuing to be entitled to one vote for each Lot owned by the Declarant as a Class A Member upon the occurrence of the first of the following dates:
  - (a) The date on which the total votes outstanding in the Class A membership shall equal the total votes outstanding in the Class B membership; or
    - (b) May 1, 2010.
- 14. <u>Purposes and Responsibilities</u>. The Townhome/Villa Association shall have the powers conferred upon not for profit corporations by the Nebraska Nonprofit Corporation Act, and all powers and duties necessary and appropriate to accomplish the purposes and administer the affairs of the Townhome/Villa Association. The powers and duties to be exercised by the Board of Directors, and upon authorization of the Board of Directors by the Officers, shall include but shall not be limited to the following:
  - (a) The landscaping, mowing, repair and maintenance of such Lots as may be approved and authorized by the Board of Directors.
    - (b) The enforcement of these Covenants and Declarations and all amendments

thereto.

- (c) The fixing, levying, collecting, abatement, and enforcement of all charges, dues, or assessments made pursuant to the terms of this Declaration.
- (d) The expenditure, commitment and payment of Townhome/Villa Association funds to accomplish the purposes of the Townhome/Villa Association including, but not limited to, payment for purchase of insurance covering any improvement to a Lot against property damage and casualty, and purchase of liability insurance coverages for the Townhome/Villa Association, the Board of Directors of the Townhome/Villa Association and the Members.
- (e) The exercise of all of the powers and privileges, and the performance of all of the duties and obligations of the Townhome/Villa Association as set forth in this Declaration, as the same may be amended from time to time.
- (f) The acquisition by purchase or otherwise, holding, or disposition of any right, title or interest in real or personal property, wherever located, in connection with the affairs of the Townhome/Villa Association.
- (g) The deposit, investment and reinvestment of Townhome/Villa Association funds in bank accounts, securities, money market funds or accounts, mutual funds, pooled funds, certificates of deposit or the like.
- (h) The employment of professionals and consultants to advise and assist the Officers and Board of Directors of the Townhome/Villa Association in the performance of their duties and responsibilities for the Townhome/Villa Association.
- (i) General administration and management of the Townhome/Villa Association in the performance of their duties and responsibilities for the Townhome/Villa Association.
- (j) The doing and performing of such acts, and the execution of such instruments and documents, as may be necessary or appropriate to accomplish the purposes of the Townhome/Villa Association.
- (k) The carrying out of the duties and obligations that are contained in the Bylaws of the Townhome/Villa Association.
- 15. <u>Mandatory Duties</u>. The management company shall be solely responsible to employ and hire companies to perform the following outdoor maintenance: (1) snow removal from Townhome/Villa Association walks and drives; (2) mowing of front, back and side of each lot; (3) removal of all grass, leaves and yard waste; and (4) all other exterior maintenance necessary to ensure uniformity and quality of the outdoor appearance of the townhome regime as may be approved and authorized from time to time by the Board of Directors.
- 16. <u>Creation of the Lien and Personal Obligation of Assessments</u>. The Declarant hereby covenants for each Assessable Lot and for each Owner of any Assessable Lot, by acceptance of a deed therefore or by entering into a contract for the purchase thereof, whether or not it shall be so expressed in such deed or in such contract, that it is, and shall be, deemed to covenant and agree to pay to the Townhome/Villa Association;
  - (a) Special assessments for capital improvements, and
  - (b) Monthly assessments for exterior maintenance and other operational expenses with respect to each Assessable Lot as deemed necessary by the Townhome/Villa Association,

as such assessments shall be established and collected as hereinafter provided. The special assessments and monthly

assessments together with interest, costs and reasonable attorney's fees, shall be a charge on the land and shall be continuing lien upon the property against which each such assessment shall be made. Each such assessments, together with interest, costs and reasonable attorney's fees, shall also be the personal obligation of the person, persons, or entity who, or which, was the Owner of the property at the time when the assessment became due. The personal obligation for delinquent assessments shall not pass to such Owner's successors in title, unless expressly assume by them.

- 17. <u>Purposes of Assessments</u>. The assessments levied by the Townhome/Villa Association shall be used exclusively to promote the health, safety, recreation and welfare of the residents in the Properties, the enforcement of the Covenants and such other obligations as may be from time to time approved and authorized by the Board of Directors.
- 18. <u>Monthly Assessments</u>. The Board of Directors shall have the authority to levy and assess from time to time against an Assessable Lot any monthly maintenance Assessment necessary for the purpose of meeting the requirements of these Covenants. Initial dues shall be Eighty-Five Dollars (\$85.00) per month for each duplex unit and One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) per month for free standing villas. If the Assessable Lots have fences, then the Assessment shall be an additional Fifteen Dollars (\$15.00) per month.
- 19. <u>Special Assessment for Capital Improvements</u>. The Townhome/Villa Association may levy special assessments from time to time against an Assessable Lot for the purpose of meeting the requirements of this Section herein for the costs of any construction, reconstruction, repair or replacement of any capital improvements on or within the Common Area, provided that any such assessment shall have the consent of two-thirds (2/3) of the votes of each class of membership, who shall vote in person or by proxy at a meeting duly called for such purpose.
- 20. Notice and Quorum for Any Action Authorized. Written notice of any meeting called for the purpose of taking any action authorized under these Covenants shall be sent to all Members not less than ten (10) days nor more than fifty (50) days in advance of such meeting. At the first such meeting called, the presence of Members, in person or by proxy, entitled to cast sixty percent (60%) of all the votes of each class of membership shall constitute a quorum. If the required quorum is not present, another meeting may be called subject to the same notice requirement, and the required quorum at such subsequent meeting shall be one-half (1/2) of the required quorum at the preceding meeting.
- Assessable Lots based upon the total number of Assessable Lots; provided, however, the board of directors of the Townhome/Villa Association may equitably adjust such pro-rations if it determines that certain Assessable Lots on which all of the improvements are not yet completed do not receive all of the benefits for which such assessments are levied. The monthly assessments may be collected on a monthly or other periodic basis by the Townhome/Villa Association. The Board of Directors of the Townhome/Villa Association shall fix the amount of the monthly or other periodic assessments against each Assessable Lot. Written notice of the assessment shall be sent to every Owner subject thereto. The dates payments are due shall be established by the Board of Directors. The special assessments for capital improvements shall only be assessed against the Assessable Lot for which the costs of such construction, reconstruction, repair or replacement of any capital improvements occurs. The Townhome/Villa Association shall, upon demand, and for a reasonable charge, furnish a certificate signed by an officer of the Townhome/Villa Association, setting forth whether or not all assessments on a specified Assessable Lot have been paid. A properly executed certificate of the Townhome/Villa Association as to the status of assessments, on a particular Assessable Lot shall be binding upon the Townhome/Villa Association as of the date of its issue by the Townhome/Villa Association.
- 22. <u>Effect of Nonpayment of Assessment: Remedies of the Townhome/Villa Association.</u> Any assessment not paid within thirty (30) days after the due date shall be deemed delinquent and shall bear interest at the maximum legal rate allowable by law in the State of Nebraska, which at the time of the execution of these Declarations, is sixteen percent (16%) per annum. Should any assessment remain unpaid more than sixty (60) days after the due date, the Townhome/Villa Association may declare the entire unpaid portion of said assessment for said year to be immediately due and payable and thereafter delinquent. The Townhome/Villa Association may bring an

action at law against the Owner personally obligated to pay the same, or may foreclose the lien of such assessment against the property through proceedings in any Court having jurisdiction of actions for the enforcement of such liens. No Owner may waive or otherwise escape liability for the assessments provided herein by abandonment or title transfer of such Owner's Lot.

- 23. <u>Subordination of the Lien to Mortgages</u>. The lien on the assessments provided for herein shall be subordinate to the lien of any first mortgage, first deed of trust, or other initial purchase money security device, and the holder of any first mortgage, first deed of trust, or other initial purchase money security device, on any Lot may rely on this provision without the necessity of the execution of any further subordination agreement by the Townhome/Villa Association. Sale or transfer of any Lot shall not affect the status or priority of the lien for assessments made as provided herein. The Townhome/Villa Association, if authorized by its Board of Directors, may release the lien of any delinquent assessments on any Lot as to which the first mortgage, first deed of trust or initial purchase money security device thereon is in default, if such Board of Directors determines that such lien has no value to the Townhome/Villa Association. No mortgagee shall be required to collect any assessments due. The Townhome/Villa Association shall have the sole responsibility to collect all assessments due.
  - 24. Maintenance. Monthly assessments may be assessed for, but not limited to, the following:
  - (a) Maintenance of trees and shrubs, lawns, and other exterior landscaping improvements as originally installed by the Declarant, except such improvements within any Assessable Lot or installed by or at the direction of the Owner, which improvements shall be the responsibility of the Owner.
  - (b) Maintenance, repair, snow removal and grounds, improvements, and utility improvements.
  - (c) Electrical service for operation of common lighting, gates and other exterior improvements.
    - (d) Trash removal, unless otherwise provided by local governmental authority.
  - (e) The Townhome/Villa Association shall have no duty to repair, replace or maintain any exterior concrete surfaces, including walks, driveways, patios, foundations, doors, windows, and decks.
  - (f) Declarant shall further have the right to temporarily turn off any sprinkler system on a Lot for purposes of completing and carrying out any maintenance, as identified herein.
- 25. <u>Special Assessments</u>. Special assessments may be assessed for, but are not limited to, the following:
  - (a) Maintenance, repair, snow removal.
  - (b) Maintain, repair, including painting, of all exterior walls, with the exception that the Townhome/Villa Association shall not assume the duty to repair or replace glass surfaces, including, but not limited to, window glass and door glass. The Townhome/Villa Association shall not assume the duty to repair or replace any doors, door openers, and cooling units for air conditioning systems.
    - (c) Maintain, repair and replace gutters.
    - (d) Maintain, repair and replace roofs.

- 26. <u>Townhome/Villa Association Management</u>. Elite Management Company shall be the exclusive management company for the Townhome/Villa Association until such time as all Lots within the Townhome/Villa Association are sold and continuing thereafter for a period of ten (10) years from the date of the final inspection of the last constructed townhome. Said exclusive agreement may be terminated upon the affirmative vote of seventy-five percent (75%) of the then Owners to terminate the contract with Elite Management Company.
- Architectural Control. No building, fence, wall, or other structure shall be commenced, erected or maintained upon the Properties, nor shall any exterior addition or change or alteration therein be made, nor shall any trees, shrubs, or plantings be planted or maintained upon the Properties, until the plans and specifications therefore, showing the nature, kind, shape, height, materials, color and location of the same shall have been submitted to and approved in writing, as to harmony of external design and location in relation to surrounding structures and topography, and in relation to other trees, shrubs and plantings, by the Board of Directors of the Townhome/Villa Association. Failure of the Board to act on such plans, as submitted within thirty (30) days after the date of submission shall be deemed to be approval of such plans, and the Owner may proceed in accordance with such plans and specifications.

#### 28. Party Walls. Party walls shall be constructed, maintained and repaired as follows:

- (a) General Rules of Law to Apply. Each wall which is built as part of the original construction of any dwelling upon a Lot, and which is placed on the dividing line between any adjoining Lots, shall constitute a party wall, and, to the extent not inconsistent with the provisions of this Section, the general rules of law regarding party walls and liability for property damage due to negligence or willful acts or omissions shall apply thereto.
- (b) Sharing of Repair and Maintenance. The cost of reasonable repairs and maintenance of any party wall shall be shared by the Owners who make use of such party wall in proportion to the length of each Lot and party wall.
- (c) Destruction by Fire or Other Casualty. If a party wall is destroyed or damaged by fire or other casualty, any Owner who has used the wall may restore it, and if the other Owner or Owners shall thereafter make use of such party wall, such other Owner shall contribute to the cost of restoration thereof in proportion to such use, without prejudice, however, to the right of any such Owner to call for a larger contribution from other Owners under any rule of law regarding liability for negligent or willful acts or omissions.
- (d) Weatherproofing. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Section, an Owner, who, by his negligent or willful act, causes the party wall to be exposed to the elements shall bear the whole cost of furnishing the necessary protection against such elements and repair of damage caused by the elements.
- (e) Right to Contribution Runs with Land. The right of any Owner to contribution from any other Owner under this Section shall be appurtenant to the land and shall pass to such Owner's successors in title.
- (f) Arbitration. In the event of any dispute arising and concerning a party wall, or under the provisions of this Section, each Owner involved shall choose one arbitrator, and such arbitrators shall choose one additional arbitrator, and all Owners shall be bound by any decision arrived at by a majority of all such arbitrators. Arbitration shall be governed by the Uniform Arbitration Act, to the extent consistent with the foregoing provisions.
- 29. <u>Insurance</u>. The Townhome/Villa Association may purchase and provide insurance of the type(s) and in the amounts that the Board of Directors deem necessary.

- 30. Access. The Townhome/Villa Association, its officers, employees and agents, and contractors and repairmen designated by the Townhome/Villa Association, shall have the right to go on any Lot for the purpose of performing maintenance and repair, making inspections and performing the duties of the Townhome/Villa Association hereunder, and the Townhome/Villa Association is hereby granted a specific easement for such purposes.
- Amendment and Successor Declarant. Any sections of this Article III of the Declaration may be amended by Best Construction Co., Inc., a Nebraska corporation, or any person, firm, corporation, partnership or entity designated in writing by Best Construction Co., Inc., a Nebraska corporation, in any manner which it may determine in its full and absolute discretion for a period of five (5) years from the date of recording of this Amended and Restated Declaration of Covenants, Conditions and Restrictions. Thereafter, this Article III may be amended by an instrument signed by the Owners of not less than seventy-five percent (75%) of the Lots described in Section 4 of Article III. Best Construction Co., Inc., a Nebraska corporation, or its successors or assigns may terminate its status as Declarant under this Article V, at any time, by filing a Notice of Termination of Status as Declarant under this Article III. Upon such filing, the Townhome/Villa Association may appoint itself or another entity, association or individual(s) to serve as Declarant under Article III and such appointee shall thereafter serve as Declarant with the same authority and powers as the original Declarant under Article III of the Declaration.

## ARTICLE IV. EASEMENTS

- A perpetual license and easement is hereby reserved in favor of and granted to Omaha Public Power 1. District, Owest Corporation, and any company which has been granted a franchise to provide a cable television system within the Lots, Metropolitan Utilities District, and Sanitary and Improvement District No. 509 of Douglas County, Nebraska, their successors and assigns, to erect and operate, maintain, repair and renew buried or underground sewers, water and gas mains and cables, lines or conduits and other electric and telephone utility facilities for the carrying and transmission of electric current for light, heat and power and for all telephone and telegraph and message service and for the transmission of signals and sounds of all kinds including signals provided by a cable television system and the reception on, over, through, under and across a five (5) foot wide strip of land abutting the front and the side boundary lines of the Lots; an eight (8) foot wide strip of land abutting the rear boundary lines of all interior Lots and all exterior lots that are adjacent to presently platted and recorded Lots; and a sixteen (16) foot wide strip of land abutting the rear boundary lines of all exterior Lots that are not adjacent to presently platted and recorded Lots. The term exterior Lots is herein defined as those Lots forming the outer perimeter of the Lots. The sixteen (16) foot wide easement will be reduced to an eight (8) foot wide strip when such adjacent land is surveyed, platted and recorded. Provided, however, that such licenses and easements are granted upon the specific conditions that if any of such utility companies fail to construct such facilities along any of such Lot lines within thirty-six (36) months of date hereof, or if any such facilities are constructed but are thereafter removed without replacement within sixty (60) days after their removal, then such easement shall automatically terminate and become void as to such unused or abandoned easements. No permanent buildings, trees, retaining walls or loose rock walls shall be placed in the easements but same may be used for gardens, shrubs, landscaping and other purposes that do not then or later interfere with the aforementioned uses or rights granted herein.
- 2. In the event that ninety percent (90%) of all Lots within the subdivision are not improved within five (5) years after the date on which Qwest Corporation files notice that it has completed installation of telephone lines to the Lots in the subdivision (herein the "Subdivision Improvement Date"), then Qwest Corporation may impose a connection charge on each unimproved Lot in the amount of Four Hundred Fifty and no/100 Dollars (\$450.00). A Lot shall be considered as unimproved if construction of a permanent structure has not commenced on a Lot. Construction shall be considered as having commenced if a footing inspection has been requested on the Lot in question by officials of the City or other appropriate governmental authority.

Should such charge be implemented by Qwest Corporation and remain unpaid, then such charge may draw interest at the rate of twelve percent (12%) per annum commencing after the expiration of sixty (60) days from the time all of the following events shall have occurred: (1) the Subdivision Improvement Date, and (2) Qwest Corporation

sends each owner of record a written statement or billing for Four Hundred Fifty and no/100 Dollars (\$450.00) for each unimproved Lot.

3. Other easements are provided for in the final plat of Sagewood which is filed in the Register of Deeds of Douglas County, Nebraska on May 9, 2005, (Instrument No. 2005053143).

## ARTICLE V. GENERAL PROVISIONS

- 1. Except for the authority and powers specifically granted to the Declarant, the Declarant or any owner of a Lot named herein shall have the right to enforce by a proceeding at law or in equity, all reservations, restrictions, conditions and covenants now or hereinafter imposed by the provisions of this Declaration either to prevent or restrain any violation or to recover damages or other dues of such violation. Failure by the Declarant or by any owner to enforce any covenant or restriction herein contained shall in no event be deemed a waiver of the right to do so thereafter.
- 2. The covenants and restrictions of this Declaration shall run with and bind the land in perpetuity. This Declaration may be amended by Sagewood Development Company, LLC, a Nebraska limited liability company, or any person, firm, corporation, partnership, or entity designated in writing by Sagewood Development Company, LLC, a Nebraska limited liability company, in any manner which it may determine in its full and absolute discretion for a period of five (5) years from the date hereof. Thereafter this Declaration may be amended by an instrument signed by the owners of not less than seventy-five percent (75%) of the Lots covered by this Declaration.
- 3. Sagewood Development Company, LLC, a Nebraska limited liability company, or its successors or assigns, may terminate its status as Declarant under this Declaration, at any time, by filing a Notice of Termination of Status as Declarant. Upon such filing, Association may appoint itself or another entity, association or individual to serve as Declarant, and such appointee shall thereafter serve as Declarant with the same authority and powers as the original Declarant.
- 4. Invalidation of any covenant by judgment or court order shall in no way affect any of the other provisions hereof, which shall remain in full force and effect.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Declarant has caused these presents to be executed this **28**<sup>th</sup> day of **December**, 2005.

SAGEWOOD DEVELOPMENT COMPANY, LLC, a

By: CJ Investments LLC, a Nebraska limited liability

Nebraska limited liability company

company, Manager

, Manager

S. J. Gellick J

STATE OF NEBRASKA	)	
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COUNTY OF DOUGLAS	)	

On this day of December, 2005, before me, a Notary Public, personally came ROBERT P. HORGAN, Manager of CJ Investments, LLC, a Nebraska limited liability company, Manager of Sagewood Development Company, LLC, a Nebraska limited liability company, on behalf of the limited liability company, to me personally known to be the identical person whose name is affixed to the above and foregoing instrument, and he acknowledged the same to be his voluntary act and deed and the voluntary act and deed of said limited liability company.

GENERAL NOTARY - State of Nebraska
SANDRA WILLMOTT
My Comm. Exp. Aug. 18, 2006

Notary Public