

BYLAWS  
OF  
QUARTERPATH VILLAGE HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION

ARTICLE I

NAME AND LOCATION. The name of the corporation is Quarterpath Village Homeowners Association, Inc., herein referred to as the "Association". The principal office of the corporation shall be located in Wake County, North Carolina. Meetings of members and directors may be held at such places within the State of North Carolina, County of Wake, as may be designated by the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE II

Section 1. "Association" shall mean and refer to Quarterpath Village Homeowners Association, its successors and assigns.

Section 2. "Properties" shall mean and refer to that certain real property described in the Declaration of Covenants, Conditions and Restrictions affecting Property now within the jurisdiction of the Association and such additions thereto as may hereafter be brought within the jurisdiction of the Association.

Section 3. "Common Area" shall mean all real property and amenities located thereon owned by the Thorpshire Farm Association for the common use and enjoyment of members or designated classes of members of the Thorpshire Farm Association, and the Quarterpath Village Homeowners Association, including Limited Common Area.

Section 4. "Limited Common Area" shall mean those portions of the Common Area that serve only a limited number of lots.

Section 5. "Lot" shall mean and refer to any plot of land shown upon any recorded subdivision map of the Properties with the exception of the Common Area and Limited Common Areas.

Section 6. "Lot in Use" shall mean and refer to any lot on which a dwelling unit has been fully constructed and made ready for occupancy as a dwelling unit, including, without limitation, completion of the installation of final floor covering, interior

paint and wallpaper and all appliances or for which a certificate of occupancy has been issued by the City of Raleigh. In addition to the foregoing, a Lot may become a Lot in Use by contractual agreement between the Declarant and the Owner of such Lot.

Section 7. "Member" shall mean and refer to every person or entity who holds a membership in the Association.

Section 8. "Owner" shall mean and refer to 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, including contract sellers but excluding those having such interest merely for the performance of an obligation.

Section 9. "Declarant" shall mean and refer to Quarterpath Village Partners, and its successors and assigns to whom the rights of Declarant are expressly transferred, in whole or in part, as set forth in the Declarations.

Section 10. "Declaration" shall mean and refer to the Declaration of Covenants, Conditions and Restrictions for Quarterpath Village applicable to the Properties recorded in the Office of the Register of Deeds of Wake County, North Carolina.

### ARTICLE III

#### MEMBERSHIP

Section 1. Membership. Every person or entity who is a record owner of a fee or undivided fee interest in any Lot which is subject by covenants of record to assessment by the Association, including contract sellers, shall be a member of the Association. The foregoing is not intended to include persons or entities who hold an interest merely as security for the performance of an obligation. Membership shall be appurtenant to and may not be separated from ownership of any Lot which is subject to assessment by the Association. Ownership of such Lot shall be the sole qualification for membership. The Board of Directors may make reasonable rules relating to the proof of ownership of a Lot in this subdivision.

Section 2. Suspension of Membership. During any period in which a member shall be in default in the payment of any annual or special assessment levied by the Association the voting rights

and rights to use of recreational facilities located in the Common Areas (if any) of such member may be suspended by the Board of Directors until such assessment has been paid. Such rights of a member may also be suspended, after notice and hearing, for a period not to exceed 30 days, for violation of any rules and regulations established by the Board of Directors governing the use of the Common Area.

#### ARTICLE IV

##### PROPERTY RIGHTS: RIGHTS OF ENJOYMENT

Section 1. Each member shall be entitled to the use and enjoyment of the Common Area and facilities as provided in the Declaration. Any member may delegate his rights of enjoyment of the Common Area and facilities to the members of his family, his tenants or contract purchasers, who reside on the property. Such member shall notify the secretary in writing of the name of any such delegee. The rights and privileges of such delegee are subject to suspension to the same extent as those of the member.

#### ARTICLE V

##### BOARD OF DIRECTORS: SELECTION: TERM OF OFFICE

Section 1. Number. The affairs of this Association shall be managed by a Board of not less than three (3), nor more than nine (9) directors, who need not be members of the Association.

Section 2. Election. At the first annual meeting the members shall elect one-third of the directors for a term of one year, one-third of the directors for a term of two years and one-third of the directors for a term of three years; and at each annual meeting thereafter the members shall elect one-third of the directors for a term of three years, and thereafter until their successors are elected and qualified.

Section 3. Removal. Any director may be removed from the board, with or without cause, by a majority vote of the members of the Association. In the event of death, resignation or removal of a director, his successor shall be selected by the remaining members of the Board and shall serve for the unexpired term of his predecessor.

Section 4. Compensation. No director shall receive compensation for any service he may render to the Association in the capacity of director. However, any director may be reimbursed for his actual expenses incurred in the performance of his duties.

Section 5. 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 approval of all the directors. Any action so approved shall have the same effect as though taken at a meeting of the directors.

#### ARTICLE VI

##### MEETINGS OF DIRECTORS

Section 1. Regular Meetings. Regular meetings of the Board of Directors shall be held annually, without notice, after the annual meeting of members as provided in Article X, Section 1. In addition, the Board of Directors may provide, by resolution, the time and place for the holding of additional regular meetings. Should said meetings fall upon a legal holiday, then that meeting shall be held at the same time on the next day which is not a legal holiday.

Section 2. Special Meetings. Special meetings of the Board shall be held when called by the President of the Association, or by any two directors, after not less than three (3) days notice to each director.

Section 3. Quorum. A majority of the number of directors shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. Every action taken or made by a majority of the directors present at a duly held meeting at which a quorum is present shall be regarded as the act of the Board.

#### ARTICLE VII

##### NOMINATION AND ELECTION OF DIRECTORS

Section 1. Nomination. Nomination for election to the Board of Directors shall be made by a Nominating Committee. Nominations may also be made from the floor at the annual meeting. The Nominating Committee shall consist of a Chairman, who shall

be a member of the Board of Directors, and two or more members of the Association. The Nominating Committee shall be appointed by the Board of Directors prior to each annual meeting of the members, to serve from the close of such annual meeting until the close of the next annual meeting and such appointment shall be announced at each annual meeting. The Nominating Committee shall make as many nominations for election to the Board of Directors as it shall in its discretion determine, but not less than the number of vacancies that are to be filled. Such nominations may be made from among members or non-members.

Section 2. Election. Election to the Board of Directors shall be by secret written ballot. At such election the members or their proxies may cast, in respect to each vacancy, as many votes as they are entitled to exercise under the provisions of the Declaration. The persons receiving the largest number of votes shall be elected. Cumulative voting is not permitted.

#### ARTICLE VIII

##### POWERS AND DUTIES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Section 1. Powers. The Board of Directors shall have power:

- (a) To adopt and amend and publish rules and regulations governing the use of the facilities located in the Common Area, and the personal conduct of the members and their guests thereon, and to establish penalties for the infraction thereof;
- (b) To exercise for the Association all powers, duties and authority vested in or delegated to this Association not reserved to the membership by other provisions of these Bylaws, the Articles of Incorporation or the Declaration;
- (c) To declare the office of a member of the Board of Directors to be vacant in the event such member shall be absent from three (3) consecutive regular meetings of the Board of Directors; and
- (d) To employ a manager, an independent contractor, or such other employees as they deem necessary, and to prescribe their duties.

Section 2. Duties. It shall be the duty of the Board of Directors:

(a) To cause to be kept a complete record of all its acts (Report of the Association) and corporate affairs (Annual Financial Statement) and to present said statements thereof to the members at the annual meeting of the members. Also, to present such statements at any special meeting, when such statements are requested in writing by one-fourth (1/4) of the Class A members who are entitled to vote;

(b) To supervise all officers, agents and employees of this Association, and to see that their duties are properly performed;

(c) As more fully provided herein and in the Declaration;

(1) To fix the amount of the annual assessment against each Lot at least thirty (30) days in advance of each annual assessment period, as hereinafter provided in Article XII, and

(2) To send written notice of each assessment to every Owner subject thereto at least thirty (30) days in advance of each annual assessment period;

(d) To issue, or to cause an appropriate officer to issue, upon demand by any person, a certificate setting forth whether any assessment has been paid. A reasonable charge may be made by the board for the issuance of these certificates. Such certificate shall be conclusive evidence of any assessment therein stated to have been paid;

(e) To procure and maintain adequate liability insurance, and to procure adequate hazard insurance on property owned by the Association;

(f) To cause all officers or employees having fiscal responsibilities to be bonded, as it may deem appropriate;

(g) to cause the common area, the improvements on the Common Area and Limited Common Area and the Townhomes and Townhome Lots to be maintained;

(h) To cause the payment of ad valorem taxes and public assessments levied against the property of the Association; and

(i) To direct and supervise the affairs of the Association and require the Association to fulfill all of its obligations and duties as set forth in the Declaration.

## ARTICLE IX

### COMMITTEES

Section 1. The Association may appoint an Architectural Control Committee as provided in the Declaration and a Nominating Committee as provided in these Bylaws. In addition, the Board of Directors may appoint other committees as deemed appropriate in carrying out its purposes, such as:

1. A Recreation Committee which shall advise the Board of Directors on all matters pertaining to the recreational program and activities of the Association and shall perform such other functions as the Board, in its discretion, determines;

2. A Maintenance Committee which shall advise the Board of Directors on all matters pertaining to the maintenance, repair or improvement of the Properties, and shall perform such other functions as the Board in its discretion, determines;

3. A Publicity Committee which shall inform the members of all activities and functions of the Association and shall, after consulting with the Board of Directors, make such public releases and announcements as are in the best interests of the Association;

4. An Audit Committee which shall supervise the annual audit of the Association's books and approve the annual budget and statement of income and expenditures to be presented to the membership at its regular meeting as provided in Article XI, Section 8(d) of these Bylaws. The Treasurer shall be an ex-officio member of the Committee.

Section 2. It shall be the duty of each committee to receive complaints from members on any matter involving Association functions, duties, and activities within its field of responsibility. It shall dispose of such complaints as it deems appropriate or refer them to such other committee, director or officer of the Association as is further concerned with the matter presented.

## ARTICLE X

### MEETINGS OF MEMBERS

Section 1. Annual Meetings. The annual meeting of the members shall be held at such time and at such place as is fixed by the Board of Directors. The first annual meeting shall be held within 45 days after the conveyance of the first townhome to an individual home buyer.

Section 2. Special Meetings. Special meetings of the members may be called at any time by the President or by the Board of Directors, or upon written request of the members who are entitled to vote one-fourth (1/4) of all of the votes of the entire membership or who are entitled to vote one-fourth (1/4) of the votes of the Class A membership.

Section 3. 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 such notice, postage prepaid, at least 15 days before such meeting to each member entitled to vote thereat, (unless the meeting is to make assessments for capital improvements, or to increase annual assessments, in which case a 30-day notice shall be given or unless the meeting is to discuss the purchase and reconstruction of a destroyed townhome, in which case not less than 7 nor more than 15 days notice shall be given) 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.

Section 4. Quorum. The presence at the meeting of members entitled to cast, or of proxies entitled to cast, one-tenth (1/10) of the votes of each class of membership shall constitute a quorum for any action except as otherwise provided in the Articles of Incorporation, the Declaration, or these Bylaws. If, however, such quorum shall not be present or represented at any meeting, the members entitled to vote thereat shall have power to adjourn the meeting from time to time, without notice other than announcement at the meeting, until a quorum as aforesaid shall be present or be represented.

## ARTICLE XI

### OFFICERS AND THEIR DUTIES



Association shall be a President and Vice-President, who shall at all times be members of the Board of Directors, a Secretary and a Treasurer, and such other officers as the Board may from time to time by resolution create.

Section 2. Election of Officers. The election of officers shall take place at the first meeting of the Board of Directors following each annual meeting of the members.

Section 3. Term. The officers of this 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.

Section 4. Special Appointments. The Board may elect such other officers as the affairs of the Association may require, 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.

Section 5. Resignation and Removal. Any officer may be removed from office with or without cause by the Board. Any officer may resign at such time by giving written notice to the Board, the President or the Secretary. Such resignation shall take effect on the date of receipt of such notice or at any later time specified therein, and unless otherwise specified therein, the acceptance of such resignation shall not be necessary to make it effective.

Section 6. Vacancies. A vacancy in any office may be filled in the manner prescribed for regular election. The officer elected to such vacancy shall serve for the remainder of the term of the officer he replaces.

Section 7. Multiple Offices. The offices of Secretary and Treasurer may be held by the same person. No person shall simultaneously hold more than one of any of the other offices except in the case of special offices created pursuant to Section 4 of this Article.

Section 8. Duties. The duties of the officers are as follows:

(a) President. The President shall preside at all meetings of the Board of Directors and all meetings of the members; shall see that orders and resolutions of the Board are carried out; shall sign all leases, mortgages, deeds and other written instruments and shall co-sign all promissory notes.

(b) 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.

(c) Secretary. The Secretary shall record the votes and keep the minutes of all meetings and proceedings of the Board and of the members; keep the corporate seal of the Association and affix it on all papers requiring said seal; 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.

(d) Treasurer. The Treasurer shall receive and deposit in appropriate bank accounts all monies of the Association and shall disburse such funds as directed by resolution of the Board of Directors; keep proper books of account; cause an annual audit of the Association books to be made by an independent certified public accountant at the completion of each fiscal year; and shall prepare an annual budget and a statement of income and expenditures to be presented to the membership at its regular annual meeting, and delivery a copy of each to the members.

## ARTICLE XII

### ASSESSMENTS

Section 1. Creation of the Lien and Personal Obligation of Assessments: Notwithstanding any provision or inference herein to the contrary, the assessment for each Lot which is not a Lot in Use shall be twenty-five percent (25%) of the assessment of a Lot in Use. The owner of a Lot in Use, by acceptance of a deed therefor shall be deemed to covenant and agree to pay to the Association: (1) annual assessments or charges which are common expenses, (2) special assessments for capital improvements, and

(3) special assessments for purchase and reconstruction of townhomes as provided in the Declaration. The annual and special assessments, together with such interest thereon and costs of collection thereof, as hereinafter provided, shall be a charge on the land and shall be a continuing lien upon the property against which each such assessment is made. Each such assessment, together with such interest, costs, and reasonable attorney's fees shall also be the personal obligation of the person who was the Owner of such property at the time when the assessment fell due and shall not pass to his successors in title as a personal obligation unless expressly assumed by them, regardless of the fact that it is a lien on the property purchased.

Section 2. Purpose of Assessments. The assessments levied by the Association shall be used exclusively for the purpose of promoting the recreation, health, safety and welfare of the residents in the Properties and in particular for the improvement and maintenance of the Properties, services and facilities, devoted to this purpose and related to the use and enjoyment of the Common Area, and of the homes situated upon the Properties and for payment of all common expenses.

Section 3. Basis and Maximum of Annual Assessments. Until December 31, 1984, the maximum annual assessment shall be not in excess of Seven Hundred Twenty Dollars (\$720.00) per Lot.

(a) From and after December 31, 1984, the maximum annual assessment may be increased effective January 1 of each year without a vote of the membership, by a percentage which may not exceed seven percent (7%) per year from the date of the last increase.

(b) From and after December 31, 1984, the maximum annual assessment may be increased above that established by this Article by an affirmative vote of the members, provided that any such change shall have the assent of two-thirds (2/3) of the votes of each class of members who are voting in person or by proxy, at a meeting duly called for this purpose, written notice of which setting forth the purpose of the meeting, shall be sent to all members not less than thirty (30) days nor more than sixty

(60) days in advance of the meeting. The limitations hereof shall not apply to any change in the maximum and basis of the assessments undertaken as an incident to a merger or consolidation in which the Association is authorized to participate under its Articles of Incorporation.

(c) Criteria for Establishing Annual Assessment. In establishing the annual assessment for any assessment year, the Board of Directors shall consider all current costs and expenses of the Association, any accrued debts, and reserves for future needs, but it may not fix the annual assessment in an amount in excess of the sums derived by application of subparagraph (a) of this Section 3 without the consent of members required by Subsection (b) of this Section 3.

(d) The Board of Directors may decrease the annual assessment from time to time if in its opinion such decrease is prudent.

Section 4. Special Assessments for Capital Improvements. In addition to the annual assessments authorized above, the Association may levy in any assessment year, a special assessment applicable to that year only, for the purpose of defraying, in whole or in part, the costs of any construction or reconstruction, unexpected repair or replacement of a described capital improvement upon the Common Area, including the necessary fixtures and personal property related thereto, provided that any such assessment shall have the assent of two-thirds (2/3) of the votes of each class of members who are voting in person or by proxy at a meeting duly called for this purpose, written notice of which shall be sent to all members not less than thirty (30) days nor more than sixty (60) days in advance of the meeting setting forth the purpose for which the special assessment will be considered. The amount of the proposed special assessment need not be stated.

Section 5. Special Assessments for the Purchase and Reconstruction of Townhomes. If the Board of Directors determines, pursuant to Article VI, Section 5 of the Declaration, that it would be advantageous to the Association and/or to the

remaining Property to purchase and reconstruct any townhome, it shall call a special meeting by giving written notice thereof, setting forth the purpose of the meeting, to all members within seven (7) days following submission of the committee report. The special meeting of members shall be held not less than seven (7) days nor more than fifteen (15) days following notice to members. Upon an affirmative vote of at least sixty-six and two-thirds percent (66-2/3%) of each class of membership present and voting, the Board will be authorized to purchase and reconstruct the townhome and to assess all lots equally for all costs and expenses arising out of the purchase and repair or reconstruction of the townhome. The Board may require that the assessment be paid in a lump sum, in installments during an assessment year, or over a period of two (2) or more assessment years, as the Board, in its discretion, shall determine to be appropriate.

Such an assessment shall be in addition to, and not in lieu of, the annual assessments provided for in Section 3 and the special assessments provided for in Section 4 of this Article.

Section 6. Uniform Rate. Both annual and special assessments must be fixed at a uniform rate for all Lots and Lots in Use and on a per Lot and per Lot in Use basis and may be collected on a monthly basis.

Section 7. Quorum for Any Action Authorized Under Sections 3, 4 and 5. At the first meeting called, as provided in Sections 3, 4 and 5 of this Article, the presence at the meeting of members or of proxies 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 forthcoming at any meeting, a subsequent meeting may be called, subject to the notice requirement set forth in Sections 3, 4 and 5, and the required quorum at any such subsequent meeting shall be one-half (1/2) of the required quorum at the next preceding meeting. No such subsequent meeting shall be held more than sixty (60) days following the next preceding meeting.

Section 8. Date of Commencement of Annual Assessments; Due Dates. The annual assessments provided for Lots in Use, and Lots

shall be paid in equal monthly installments and the payment of such shall commence as to each lot in use and lot on the first day of the first month following the date that all Common Area immediately adjacent to the lot in use or lot in question has been conveyed to the Association. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Declarant may, at its election, postpone, in whole or in part, the date on which any assessment shall commence provided that the Declarant maintains the Common Areas for which no assessment is being collected during the period of such postponement. The first annual assessment shall be adjusted according to the number of months remaining in the calendar year. The Board of Directors shall fix the amount of the annual assessment against each lot at least thirty (30) days in advance of each annual assessment period. Written notice of the annual assessment shall be sent to every owner subject thereto. The due dates shall be established by the Board of Directors. The Association, upon demand at any time, shall furnish a certificate in writing signed by an officer of the Association setting forth whether the assessments on a specified lot have been paid. A properly executed certificate of the Association as to the status of assessments on a lot is binding upon the Association as of the date of its issuance.

Section 9. Effect of Non-Payment of Assessments: Remedies of the Association. Any assessments or portion thereof which are not paid when due shall be delinquent. If the assessment or portion thereof is not paid within thirty (30) days after the due date, the same shall bear interest from the date of delinquency at the highest rate then permitted by the regulations of the Federal Housing Administration (FHA) and the regulations of the Veterans Administration (VA); provided, however, that if the highest rate permitted by FHA and VA are not the same, the interest rate shall be the lower of rates permitted by these two agencies. The Association may bring an action against the owner personally obligated to pay the same, and interest, costs, late payment charges and reasonable attorney's fees of any such action shall be added to the amount of such assessment. If any law

permits the filing of a lien and the foreclosure of such lien, or other similar action, as a method of enforcement of the Association's right to collect assessments, the Association may use such remedy. No owner may waive or otherwise escape liability for the assessment provided for herein by nonuse of the common area or abandonment of his lot.

Section 10. Subordination of the Lien to Mortgages. The lien of the assessments provided for herein on any Lot shall be subordinate to the lien of any first mortgage on such Lot. Sale or transfer of any Lot shall not affect the assessment lien. However, the sale or transfer of any Lot which is subject to any mortgage, pursuant to a foreclosure under such mortgage or any proceeding in lieu of such foreclosure thereof, shall extinguish the lien of such assessments as to payments which became due prior to such sale or transfer. No sale or transfer shall relieve such Lot from liability for any assessments thereafter becoming due or from the lien thereof.

#### ARTICLE XIII

##### BOOKS AND RECORDS

The books, records and papers of the Association shall at all times, during reasonable business hours, be subject to inspection by any member or his designated agent. The Declaration, the Articles of Incorporation and the Bylaws of the Association shall be available for inspection by any member at the principal office of the Association, where copies may be purchased at a reasonable cost.

#### ARTICLE XIV

##### CORPORATE SEAL

The Association shall have a seal in circular form having within its circumference the words "Quarterpath Village Homeowners Association, Inc." and in its center the words, "Corporate Seal".

#### ARTICLE XV

##### AMENDMENTS

Section 1. These Bylaws may be amended at a regular or

special meeting of the members, by a vote of a majority of a quorum of the members present in person or by proxy.

Section 2. Notwithstanding any provision in this instrument to the contrary, as long as the Declarant controls the Association and if the subdivision has been approved by the Veterans Administration and the Federal Housing Administration for loans guaranteed by the Veterans Administration or the Federal Housing Administration (but not otherwise), any amendment of these Bylaws will require the prior approval of the Federal Housing Administration or the Veterans Administration.

Section 3. In the case of any conflict between the Articles of Incorporation and these Bylaws, the Articles shall control; and in case of any conflict between the Declaration and these Bylaws, the Declaration shall control.

ARTICLE XVI

MISCELLANEOUS

The fiscal year of the Association shall begin on the first 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.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we, being all of the directors of QUARTERPATH VILLAGE HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC., have hereunto set our hands this the \_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_.

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Director

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Director

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Director