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THIS DECLARATION, made this 21<sup>st</sup> day of June, 1982, by Four Thirty Seven Land Company Inc., a Delaware corporation, hereinafter sometimes called "the Declarant",

WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, the Declarant is the owner of the real property described in Exhibit A of this Declaration and desires to create thereon a residential community with permanent common areas; and

WHEREAS, the Declarant desires to provide for the preservation and enhancement of property values, amenities, and opportunities in said community contributing to the personal and general health, safety, and welfare of the residents and for the maintenance of the land and any improvements subsequently erected thereon, and to this end desires to subject the real property described in Exhibit A, together with such additions as may hereinafter be made thereto, to the covenants, restrictions, easements, charges and liens, hereinafter set forth, each and all of which is and are for the benefit of said property and each owner thereof; and

WHEREAS, the Declarant has deemed it desirable, for the efficient preservation of the values and amenities in said community, to create an association to which should be delegated and assigned the powers and duties of maintaining and administering the common areas and any facilities which may subsequently be erected thereon, administering and enforcing the within covenants and restrictions, and disbursing the charges and assessments hereinafter created; and

WHEREAS, the Declarant has formed (or intends to form) Queen Anne Estates Homeowner's Association, Inc., as a non-profit, non-stock corporation under the laws of the State of Maryland for the purposes of carrying out the powers and duties aforesaid.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Declarant declares that the real property described in Exhibit A and such additions thereto as may hereinafter be made, is and are and shall be held, transferred, sold, conveyed, and occupied subject to the covenants, restrictions, easements, charges, and liens hereinafter set forth, and further that Declarant hereby delegates and assigns to the Queen Anne Estates Homeowner's Association, Inc. the power of owning, maintaining, and administering the community property and facilities which may be erected thereon, administering and enforcing the covenants and restrictions, collecting and disbursing the assessments and charges hereinafter created, and promoting the recreation, health, safety, and welfare of the residents. This Declaration shall be deemed to run with and bind the land and shall inure to the benefit of and be enforceable by the Declarant, its successors and assigns, and any person or entity acquiring or owning an interest in said property and improvements.

ARTICLE I

The following words, when used in this Declaration, shall have the following meanings:

(a) "Approval" shall mean and refer to the issuance by any public agency or written approval, or any written waiver of approval rights, or a letter of "no objection".

(b) "Association" shall mean and refer to the Queen Anne Estates Homeowner's Association, Inc. and its successors or assigns.

(c) "Common Area" shall mean and refer to all real property and improvements thereon owned or leased by the Association or over which the Association has an easement for maintenance, for the use and enjoyment of its members.

(d) "Declaration" shall mean and refer to the covenants, conditions, and restrictions and all other provisions herein set forth in the entire document, as they may be from time to time amended.

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(e) "Developer" shall mean and refer to the Declarant, Four Thirty Seven Land Company Inc., its successors and assigns; provided, however, that no successor or assign of the developer shall have any rights or obligations of the developer hereunder unless such rights and obligations are specifically set forth in the instrument of succession or assignment or unless such rights and obligations pass by operation of the law.

(f) "Development Plan" shall mean and refer to the total general scheme of intended use of the land and the property approved by Prince George's County, Maryland, as illustrated in Exhibit B hereof, as may be amended from time to time.

(g) "Members" shall mean and refer to the members of the Association, which shall consist of all owners and to every person or entity who holds any class of membership in the Association.

(h) "Notice" shall mean and refer to (1) written notice delivered personally or mailed to the last known address of the intended recipient, or (2) notice published at least once each week for two consecutive weeks in a newspaper having a general circulation in Prince George's County.

(i) "Owner" shall mean and refer to the record owner, whether one or more persons or entities, of the fee simple title to any lot situated on the property, which is subjected to this Declaration from time to time, including contract sellers, other than Declarant, but excluding those having such interest solely as security for the performance of an obligation.

(j) "Project" and "Community", as used in this Declaration, shall mean and refer to that certain community being developed by the Declarant in Prince George's County, Maryland, known as "Queen Anne Estates".

(k) "Quorum of Members" shall mean and refer to the representation by presence or proxy of members who hold 50% of the outstanding votes of each voting class.

## ARTICLE II

Section 1. Property Subject to the Declaration. The real property which is, and shall be held, conveyed, hypothecated or encumbered, sold, leased, rented, used, occupied and improved subject to this Declaration is located in Prince George's County, Maryland, and is more particularly described on "Exhibit A", attached hereto and made by this reference a part hereof.

Section 2. Additions. So long as there are Class B members of the Association, additional property may be annexed to the above-described property without the assent of the Class A members of the Association, if any. The scheme of the within covenants and restrictions shall not, however, be extended to include any such additional property unless and until the same is annexed to the real property described on Exhibit A as hereinbefore provided.

Any annexations made pursuant to this Article, or otherwise, shall be made by recording a Supplementary Declaration of Covenants and Restrictions among the Land Records for Prince George's County, Maryland, which Supplementary Declaration shall extend the scheme of the within Declaration of Covenants and Restrictions to such annexed property. Such Supplementary Declaration may contain such complementary additions and modifications to the covenants and restrictions set forth in the within Declaration as may be necessary to reflect the different character or use, if any, of such annexed property.

## ARTICLE III

Membership. The Association shall have two classes of voting membership which shall be known as "Class A" and "Class B"; as set forth below:

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(a) Class A Memberships. There is authorized a number of Class A memberships that equals the total number of recorded lots located in the property described in Exhibit "A", and as such lots may be annexed to the Declaration from time to time. Except for the Declarant, every person or entity, who is a record owner of a fee interest in any lot which is part of the property described in the Declaration or which otherwise becomes subject by the covenants set forth in the Declaration to assessment by the Association, shall be a Class A member of the Association; provided, however, that any such person or entity, who holds such interest solely as security for the performance of an obligation shall not be a Class A member solely on account of such interest. Each Class A member shall be entitled to one (1) vote for each lot owned.

(b) Class B Memberships. The Class B member shall be the Declarant, its nominee or nominees, and shall include every person or entity, who shall obtain any Class B membership by specific assignment or as a result of any legal proceeding or other assignment of asset or other legal assignment of asset from the Declarant. The Class B member or members shall have one Class B membership for each lot in which such member holds the interest otherwise required for a Class A membership. Each Class B member shall be entitled to three (3) votes for each lot in which such member holds the interest otherwise required for a Class A membership. Each Class B member shall lapse and become a nullity on the first to happen of the following events:

- (i) if the total authorized, issued and outstanding Class A memberships equal the total authorized, issued and outstanding Class B memberships multiplied by three (3) for 30 consecutive calendar days; or
- (ii) on January 1, 1990; or
- (iii) upon the surrender of said Class B memberships by the then holders thereof for cancellation on the books of the Association.

Upon the lapse or surrender of any Class B memberships as provided for in this Article, the Declarant shall thereafter become and remain a Class A member of the Association as to each and every lot in which the Declarant then holds the interest otherwise required for Class A membership. In the event additional property is annexed to the property described in Article III of this Declaration subsequent to the date specified in Section (1)(b)(i) set forth above in this Article, then the Declarant shall be a Class B member as to each lot which it owns in such annexed property subject to the limitations set forth in this Article.

The members of the Association shall have no pre-emptive rights, as such members, to acquire any memberships of this Association that may at any time be issued by the Association except as may be specifically provided in this Article.

#### ARTICLE IV

Section 1. Member's Right of Enjoyment. Every member shall have a right and easement of enjoyment in and to the common areas and any community facilities that may be erected thereon and such easement shall be appurtenant to and shall pass with the fee simple title to every lot subject to the following:

(a) the right of the Association, in accordance with its Articles of Incorporation and By-Laws, and with the consent of two-thirds (2/3) of each class of the then members of the Association present at a duly constituted meeting, voting separately to borrow money for the purpose of improving the common areas and erecting community facilities in a manner designed to promote the enjoyment and welfare of the members and in aid thereof to mortgage any of the common areas and community facilities; and

(b) the right of the Association, acting by and through its Board of Directors, to levy reasonable admission and other fees for the use of any community facilities situated upon the property by the members of the Association and their families, tenants and guests; provided, however, that any such fee shall be charged on a

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uniform basis for each member and, provided further, that in no event shall the Association levy any fee for the use of any streets, roadways or parking areas which are situated upon the property; and

(c) the right of the Association to take such steps as are reasonably necessary to protect the property of the Association against mortgage default and foreclosures; provided, however, that the same are in conformity with the other provisions of this Declaration; and

(d) the right of the Association to adopt reasonable rules respecting use of the common areas and community facilities that may be erected thereon to reasonably limit the number of guests of members to the use of any facilities which are developed upon the property; and

(e) the right of the Association to suspend the voting rights and the rights to use the common areas and community facilities (except for rights to the use of streets, roadways and parking areas, which shall not be subject to suspension for any reason) for any period during which any assessment remains unpaid and for any period not to exceed thirty (30) days for any infraction of any of the published rules and regulations of the Association; and

(f) the right of the Association to dedicate or transfer all or any part of the common areas or community facilities to any public or municipal agency, authority or utility for purposes consistent with the purpose of this Declaration and subject to such conditions as may be agreed to by the members; provided, however, that no such dedication or transfer or determination as to the purposes or as to the conditions thereof, shall be effective unless two-thirds (2/3) of each class of the then members of the Association present at a duly constituted meeting consent to such dedication, transfer, purpose and conditions, at any special meeting of the members duly called for such purpose.

(g) the right of the Association, acting by and through its Board of Directors, to grant licenses, rights-of-way and easements for access or for the construction, reconstruction, maintenance and repair of any utility lines or appurtenances, whether public or private, to any municipal agency, public utility, the Declarant or any other person; provided, however, that no such licenses, rights-of-way or easements shall be unreasonably and permanently inconsistent with the rights of the members to the use and enjoyment of the common areas and community facilities; and

(h) the right of the Association, acting by and through its Board of Directors, to open the common areas and community facilities, or any portions thereof, to a wider public, all for such purposes and on such basis as the Board of Directors may from time to time consider appropriate.

**Section 2. Delegation of Right of Use.** Any member of the Association may delegate his rights to the use and enjoyment of the common areas and community facilities to the members of his family who reside permanently with him and to his tenants, contract purchasers and guests, all subject to such reasonable rules and regulations which the Association may adopt and uniformly apply and enforce.

#### ARTICLE V

**Section 1. Annual Maintenance Assessments.** Each person or entity who is now or who becomes a fee owner of a lot within the property, by acceptance of a deed therefore, whether or not it shall be so expressed in any such deed or other conveyance, shall be deemed to covenant and agree to pay the Association, in advance, a semi-annual sum (herein sometimes referred to as "maintenance assessments") equal to one-half (1/2) of the member's proportionate share of the sum required by the Association, as estimated by its Board of Directors, to meet its annual expenses, including but in no way limited to the following:

(a) the cost of all operating expenses of the common areas and community facilities and the services furnished to or in connection with the common areas and community facilities, including charges by the Association for any services furnished by it; and

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(b) the cost of necessary management and administration of the common areas and community facilities, including fees paid to any Management Agent; and

(c) the amount of all taxes and assessments levied against the common areas and community facilities; and

(d) the cost of fire and extended liability insurance on the common areas and community facilities and the cost of such other insurance as the Association may affect with respect to the common areas; and

(e) the cost of maintaining, replacing, repairing and landscaping the common areas and community facilities and such equipment as the Board of Directors shall determine to be necessary and proper in connection therewith; and

(f) the cost of funding all reserves established by the Association, including, when appropriate, a general operating reserve and a reserve for replacements.

The Board of Directors shall determine the amount of the maintenance assessment annually, but may do so at more frequent intervals should circumstances so require. Upon resolution of the Board of Directors, installments of annual assessments may be levied and collected on a quarterly, semi-annual or annual basis rather than on the semi-annual basis hereinabove provided for. Any Class A member may prepay one or more installments on any annual maintenance assessment levied by the Association, without premium or penalty.

The Board of Directors shall prepare, or cause the preparation of an annual operating budget for the common areas and community facilities. The Board of Directors of the Association shall make reasonable efforts to fix the amount of the annual maintenance assessment against each lot for each assessment period at least thirty (30) days in advance of such date or period and shall, at that time, prepare a roster of the lots and the annual maintenance assessment applicable thereto which shall be kept in the office of the Association and shall be open to inspection by any owner upon reasonable notice to the Board. Written notice of the annual maintenance assessments shall be thereupon sent to the members. The omission by the Board of Directors, before the expiration of any assessment period, to fix the amount of the annual maintenance assessment hereunder for that or the next period, shall not be deemed a waiver or modification in any respect of the provisions of this Article or a release of any member of the provisions of this Article or a release of any member from the obligation to pay the annual maintenance assessment, or any installment thereof, for that or any subsequent assessment period, but the annual maintenance assessment fixed for the preceding period shall continue until a new maintenance assessment is fixed. No member may exempt himself from liability for maintenance assessments by abandonment of any lot belonging to him or by the abandonment of his right to the use and enjoyment of the common areas and community facilities.

Except as may be specifically provided for herein, this Declaration does not contemplate that the Association shall have any responsibility for the maintenance or repair of the dwellings or their appurtenances and the responsibility and duties of the Association for maintenance and repairs shall be limited to the common areas and community facilities. The owner of any lot shall, at his own expense, maintain his lot and dwelling, and any and all appurtenances thereto, in good order, condition and repair and in a clean, sightly and sanitary condition at all times.

**Section 2. Special Maintenance Assessments.** In addition to the regular maintenance assessments authorized by this Article, the Association may levy in any assessment year a special maintenance assessment or assessments, applicable to that year only, for the purpose of defraying, in whole or in part, the cost of any construction or reconstruction, inordinate repair or replacement of a described capital improvement located upon, or forming a part of the common areas, including the necessary fixtures and personal property related thereto, or for such other purpose as the Board of Directors may consider appropriate; provided that any such assessment shall have the assent of the members representing two-thirds (2/3) of each class of the then members of the Association present at a duly constituted meeting. A meeting of the members shall be duly called for this purpose.

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Section 3. Annual Maintenance Assessments. The initial maximum annual maintenance assessment for each of the lots to which Class A membership is appurtenant shall not exceed the sum of sixty dollars

(\$60.00) per annum. Except as may otherwise be provided in Section 7 of Article VI or any Supplementary Declaration made pursuant to Article II of this Declaration, the annual maintenance assessment shall be levied at a uniform rate for each lot to which Class A membership is appurtenant.

Section 4. Increase in Maximum Annual Maintenance Assessment.

(a) From and after January 1, 1983, the maximum annual maintenance assessment for all Class A memberships hereinabove provided for, may be increased by the Board of Directors of the Association, without a vote of the Class A membership, by an amount equal to ten percent (10%) of the maximum annual assessment for the preceding year plus the amount by which any real estate taxes and assessments and other insurance premiums payable by the Association have increased over the amounts payable for the same or similar items for the previous year.

(b) From and after January 1, 1983, the maximum annual maintenance assessment for all Class A memberships may be increased above that established by the preceding paragraph by a vote of the members, as hereinafter provided, for the next succeeding year. Any change made pursuant to this paragraph shall have the assent of two-thirds (2/3) of the then Class A members of the Association and two-thirds (2/3) of the then Class B members of the Association present at a duly constituted meeting. A meeting of the members shall be called for this purpose.

ARTICLE VI

Section 1. Non-Payment of Assessments. Any assessment levied pursuant to this Declaration, or any installment thereof, which is not paid on the date when due shall be delinquent and shall together with interest thereon and the cost of collection thereof, as hereinafter provided, thereupon become a continuing lien upon the lot or lots belonging to the member against whom such assessment is levied and shall bind such lot or lots in the hands of the then owners, his heirs, devisees, personal representatives and assigns. The personal obligation of the member to pay such assessment shall, in addition, remain his personal obligation for the statutory period and a suit to recover a money judgment for non-payment of any assessment levied pursuant to this Declaration, or any installment thereof, may be maintained without foreclosing or waiving the lien herein created to secure the same.

Any assessment levied pursuant to this Declaration, or any installment thereof, which is not paid within ten (10) days after it is due, shall bear interest at a rate of twelve percent (12%) per annum. The Association may bring an action at law against the member personally obligated to pay the same, or foreclose on the lien against the lot or lots then belonging to said member in the manner now or hereafter provided for the foreclosure of mortgages, deeds of trust or other liens on real property in the State of Maryland containing a power of sale or consent to a decree, and subject to the same requirements, both substantive and procedural, or as may otherwise from time to time be provided by law, in either of which events interest, cost and reasonable attorneys' fees of not less than twenty percent (20%) of the sum claimed shall be added to the amount of each assessment.

The Association shall notify the holder of a first mortgage on any lot for which any assessment levied pursuant to this Declaration becomes delinquent for a period in excess of sixty (60) days and in any other case where the owner of such lot is in default with respect to the performance of any other obligation hereunder for a period in excess of sixty (60) days, but any failure to give such notice shall not affect the validity of the lien for any assessment levied pursuant to this Declaration, nor shall any such failure affect any of the priorities established in this Article.

A lot owner shall advise the Association of the name of the holder of its first mortgage upon request of the Association.

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Section 2. Assessment Certificates. The Association shall upon demand at any time furnish to any member liable for any assessment levied pursuant to this Declaration (or any other party legitimately interested in the same) a certificate in writing signed by an officer of the Association, setting forth the status of said assessment, i.e., whether the same is paid or unpaid. Such certificate shall be conclusive evidence of the payment of any assessment therein stated to have been paid. A charge not to exceed Thirty Dollars (\$30.00) may be levied in advance by the Association for each certificate so delivered.

Section 3. Priority of Lien. The lien established by this Declaration shall have preference over any other assessment, liens, judgments or charges of whatever nature, except the following:

- (a) general and special taxes and assessments on the lot; and
- (b) the liens of any deeds of trust, mortgage instruments or encumbrances duly recorded on the lot prior to the assessment thereon of the lien provided for in this Declaration or duly recorded on said lot after receipt of a written statement from the Board of Directors reflecting that payments on said lien were current as of the date of recordation of said deed of trust, mortgage instrument or encumbrance.

Notwithstanding any other provision of this Declaration to the contrary, the lien of any assessment levied pursuant to this Declaration upon any lot, shall be subordinate to the lien of any deed of trust, mortgage, or other encumbrance duly recorded on such lot and made in good faith and for value received and shall in no way affect the rights of the holder of any such deed of trust, mortgage or other encumbrance; provided, however, that such subordination shall apply only to assessments, and installments thereof, which have become due and payable prior to a sale or transfer of the lot pursuant to a foreclosure of such deed of trust, mortgage or other encumbrance, or any deed, assignment or other proceeding or arrangement in lieu of foreclosure. Any holder of any deed of trust, mortgage or other encumbrance duly recorded on the lot and made in good faith and for value received who comes into possession of the lot pursuant to a foreclosure of such deed of trust, mortgage or other encumbrance, or any deed, assignment or other proceeding or arrangement in lieu of foreclosure, and any other purchaser at a foreclosure sale, shall take the lot free of any claims for unpaid maintenance assessments levied against the lot which accrue prior to the time such holder comes into possession of the lot or prior to the foreclosure sale. Such foreclosure, deed, assignment or other proceeding or arrangement in lieu of foreclosure shall not, however, relieve the mortgagee in possession or the purchaser at any foreclosure sale from any liability for any maintenance assessments thereafter becoming due, or from the lien herein created to secure the payment of such maintenance assessments, which said lien shall have the same effect and be enforced in the same manner as provided therein.

No amendment to this Section shall affect the rights of the holder of any first mortgage on any lot (or the indebtedness secured thereby) recorded prior to recordation of such amendment unless the holder thereof (or the indebtedness secured thereby) shall join in the execution of such amendment.

The Board of Directors may, in its sole and absolute discretion, extend the provisions of this Section to the holders of mortgages (or the indebtedness secured thereby) not otherwise entitled thereto.

Section 4. Commencement of Annual Assessments. The annual maintenance assessment for each Class A membership shall commence on the date a deed for the lot to which such membership is appurtenant is delivered by the Declarant to the purchaser of the lot. The first semi-annual installment of each such annual assessment shall be made for the balance of the period during which a deed for the lot is delivered to the purchaser and shall become due and payable and a lien on the date a deed for the lot is delivered to the purchaser. Except as herein provided, the semi-annual installments of each such annual assessment for any lot for any period after the first period shall become due and payable and a lien on each successive January 1 and July 1.

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Anything in this Declaration to the contrary notwithstanding, any regular or special assessment levied by the Association for any lot held by the Declarant shall be in an amount equal to twenty-five percent (25%) of the assessment levied by the Association against lots not held by the Declarant.

**Section 8. Exempt Property.** No portion of the common areas or community facilities shall be subject to assessment of any kind by the Association.

#### ARTICLE VII

**Section 1. Architectural and Environmental Control Committee.** Except for construction or development by, for or under contract with the Declarant, and except for any improvements to any lot or to the common areas accomplished by the Declarant concurrently with said construction and development, and except for purposes of proper maintenance and repair, no building, fence, or wall or other improvements or structures shall be commenced, directed, placed, moved, altered or maintained upon the property, nor shall any exterior addition to or change (including any change of color) or other alteration thereupon be made until the plans and specifications showing the location, nature, shape, height, material, color, type of construction and any other proposed form of change (including, without limitation, any other information specified by the Architectural and Environmental Control Committee) shall have been submitted to and approved in writing as to safety, harmony of external design, color and location in relation to surrounding structures and topography and conformity with the design concept for the community by an Architectural and Environmental Control Committee designated by the Board of Directors.

**Section 2. Architectural and Environmental Control Committee Operation.** The Board of Directors shall appoint an Architectural and Environmental Control Committee. The Architectural and Environmental Control Committee shall be composed of three (3) or more natural persons designated from time to time by the Board of Directors of the Association and such persons shall serve at the pleasure of the Board of Directors. The affirmative vote of a majority of the members of the Architectural and Environmental Control Committee shall be required in order to adopt or promulgate any rule or regulation, or to make any finding, determination, ruling or order, or to issue any permit, consent, authorization, approval or the like pursuant to the authority contained in this Article.

**Section 3. Approvals, etc.** Upon approval by the Architectural and Environmental Control Committee of any plans and specifications submitted pursuant to the provisions of this Article, a copy of such plans and specifications, as approved, shall be deposited among the permanent records of such Committee and a copy of such plans and specifications bearing such approval, in writing, shall be returned to the applicant submitting the same. In the event the Committee fails to approve or disapprove any plans and specifications which may be submitted to it pursuant to the provisions of this Article within sixty (60) days after such plans and specifications (and all other materials and information required by the Architectural and Environmental Control Committee) have been submitted to it in writing, then approval will not be required and this Article will be deemed to have been fully complied with.

**Section 4. Limitations.** Construction of alterations in accordance with plans and specifications approved by the Architectural and Environmental Control Committee pursuant to the provisions of this Article shall be commenced within six (6) months following the date upon which the same are approved by the Committee (whether by affirmative action or by forbearance from action, as in Section 3 of this Article provided), and shall be substantially completed within twelve (12) months following the date of commencement, or within such other period as the Committee shall specify in its approval. In the event construction is not commenced within the period aforesaid, then approval of the plans and specifications by the Committee shall be conclusively deemed to have lapsed and compliance with the provisions of this Article shall again be required. There shall be no deviation from the plans and specifications approved by the Committee without the prior consent in writing of this Committee. Approval of any particular plans and specifications or design shall not be construed as a waiver of the right of the Committee to disapprove such plans and specifications, or any elements or

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features thereof in the event such plans and specifications are subsequently submitted for use in any other instance.

**Section 5. Rules and Regulations, etc.** The Architectural and Environmental Control Committee may from time to time adopt and promulgate such rules and regulations regarding the form and content of plans and specifications to be submitted for approval and may publish and record such statements of policy, standards, guidelines and establish such criteria relative to architectural styles or details, colors, set-backs, materials or other matters relative to architectural control and the protection of the environment, as it may consider necessary or appropriate. No such rules, regulations, statements, criteria or the like shall be construed as a waiver of the provisions of this Article or any other provision or requirement of this Declaration. The Architectural and Environmental Control Committee may charge and collect a reasonable fee for the examination of any plans and specifications submitted for approval pursuant to the provisions of this Article. The decisions of the Architectural and Environmental Control Committee shall be final except that any member who is aggrieved by any action or forbearance from action by the Committee (or by any policy, standards or guidelines established by the Committee) may appeal the decision of the Architectural and Environmental Control Committee to the Board of Directors and, upon the request of such member, shall be entitled to a hearing before the Board of Directors of the Association.

**Section 6. Prohibited Uses and Nuisances.** Except for the activities of the Declarant during the construction or development of the community, or except with the prior written approval of the Architectural and Environmental Control Committee, or as may be necessary in connection with reasonable and necessary repairs or maintenance to any dwelling or upon the common areas:

(a) No noxious or offensive trade or activity shall be carried on upon any lot or within any dwelling, nor shall anything be done therein or thereon, which may be or become an annoyance or nuisance to the neighborhood or other members. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, no speaker, horn, whistle, siren, bell or other sound device, except such devices as may be used exclusively for security purposes, shall be located, installed or maintained upon the exterior of any dwelling or upon the exterior of any other improvements.

(b) No burning of any trash and no accumulation or storage of litter, lumber, scrap metals, refuse, bulk materials, waste, new or used building materials, or trash of any other kind shall be permitted on any lot.

(c) Except as herein provided, no junk vehicle or commercial vehicle of any kind or character shall be stored, maintained or kept on the property, unless such vehicle is kept out of public view.

(d) Trash and garbage containers shall not be permitted to remain in public view except on days of trash collection. No incinerator shall be kept or maintained upon any lot. Garbage, trash and other refuse shall be placed in covered containers.

(e) No lot shall be divided or subdivided and no portion of any lot (other than the entire lot) shall be transferred or conveyed for any purpose. No portion of any dwelling (other than the entire dwelling) shall be leased. The provisions of this subsection shall not apply to the Declarant and, further, the provisions hereof shall not be construed to prohibit the granting of any easement or right-of-way to any municipality, political subdivision, public utility or other public body or authority, or to the Association, the Declarant or any other person for any purpose.

(f) Except for hoses and the like which are reasonably necessary in connection with normal lawn maintenance, no water pipe, sewer pipe, gas pipe, drainage pipe, television cable or similar transmission line shall be installed or maintained on any lot above the surface of the ground.

(g) No lot shall be used for the purpose of boring, mining, quarrying, exploring for or removing oil or other hydrocarbons, minerals, gravel or earth.

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(h) No sound hardwood trees measuring in excess of six (6) inches in diameter two (2) feet above the ground shall be removed from any lot without written approval of the Association acting through the Architectural and Environmental Control Committee or duly appointed subcommittee. The Architectural and Environmental Control Committee may from time to time adopt and promulgate such additional rules and regulations regarding the preservation of trees and other natural resources and wildlife as it may consider appropriate.

(i) No structure of a temporary character, such as a tent or shack, shall be erected, used or maintained on any lot at any time.

(j) Except for entrance signs, directional signs, signs for traffic control or safety, community "theme areas" and such promotional sign or signs as may be maintained by the Declarant or the Association, no signs or advertising devices of any character shall be erected, posted or displayed upon, in or about any lot or dwelling, provided, however, that one sign not exceeding two (2) square feet in area and not illuminated may be attached to a dwelling where a professional office (as herein this Declaration defined) is maintained, and provided further, that one temporary real estate sign not exceeding six (6) square feet in area, may be erected upon any lot or attached to any dwelling placed upon the market for sale or rent. Any such temporary real estate sign shall be removed promptly within the time limits specified by ordinance or statute following the sale or rental of such dwelling. The provisions and limitations of this subsection shall not apply to any institutional first mortgagee of any lot who comes into possession of the lot by reason of any remedies provided by law or in such mortgage or as a result of a foreclosure sale or other judicial sale or as a result of any proceeding, arrangement, assignment or deed in lieu of foreclosure.

(l) No structure, planting or other material shall be placed or permitted to remain upon any lot which may damage or interfere with any easement for the installation or maintenance of utilities, or which may unreasonably change, obstruct, or retard direction or flow of any drainage channels.

**Section 7. Residential Use - Leasing.** All dwellings shall be used for private residential purposes exclusively, except that a professional office may be maintained in a dwelling, provided that such maintenance and use is limited to the person actually residing in the dwelling and, provided further, that such maintenance and use is in strict conformity with the provisions of any applicable zoning law, ordinance or regulation. As used in this Section the term "professional office" shall mean rooms used for office purposes by a member of any recognized profession, including doctors, dentists, lawyers, architects and the like, but not including medical or dental clinics. Nothing contained in this Article or elsewhere in this Declaration, shall be construed to prohibit the Declarant from the use of any lot or dwelling for promotional or display purposes, or as "model homes", a sales office, or the like.

No portion of any lot or dwelling (other than the entire lot or dwelling) shall be leased for any period. Any owner of any lot or dwelling who shall lease such lot or dwelling shall, promptly following the execution of any such lease and upon the request in writing of the Board of Directors, forward a conformed copy of such lease to the Board of Directors. All such leases shall be in writing. Any such lease shall contain a provision to the effect that the rights of the tenant to use and occupy the premises which are the subject matter of the lease shall be subject and subordinate in all respects to the provision of this Declaration and to the By-Laws of the Association and to such other reasonable rules and regulations relating to the use of the common elements and community facilities or other "house rules" that the Board of Directors may from time to time promulgate, and any such lease shall provide, further, that any failure by the tenant to comply with the provisions of such documents shall be a default under the lease. The provisions of this subsection shall not apply to any institutional first mortgagee of any lot or dwelling who comes into possession of the lot or dwelling by reason of any remedies provided by law or in such mortgage or as a result of a foreclosure sale or other judicial sale or as a result of any proceeding, arrangement, assignment or deed in lieu of foreclosure.

**Section 8. Easements.** The common areas and community facilities shall be subject to easements to the benefit of the Association and the owners of the adjoining and abutting lots and dwellings for maintenance and for the unobstructed and uninterrupted use of any and all pipes, ducts, flues, chutes, conduits, cables and wire outlets and utility lines of any kind, to easements for the maintenance of adjoining and abutting

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dwellings, and to easements for such portions of any dwelling that may overhang any portion of the common areas and community facilities, and to easements for the leadwalks and sidewalks serving adjoining and abutting dwellings. Such easements shall not be subject to suspension for any reasons.

Section 9. House Rules, etc. There shall be no violation of any rules for the use of the common areas and community facilities or "house rules" or other community rules and regulations not inconsistent with the provisions of this Declaration, which may from time to time be adopted by the Board of Directors of the Association and promulgated among the membership by them in writing and the Board of Directors is hereby and elsewhere in this Declaration authorized to adopt such rules.

Section 10. Enforcement - Right to Remove or Correct Violations. In the event any violation or attempted violation of any of the covenants or restrictions contained in this Article shall occur or be maintained upon any lot, or in the event of any other conduct in violation of any of the provisions and requirements of this Article, then the same shall be considered to have been undertaken in violation of this Article and without the approval of the Architectural and Environmental Control Committee required herein, and, upon written notice from the Architectural and Environmental Control Committee, such violation shall be promptly removed or abated. In the event the same is not removed, or the violation is not otherwise terminated or abated, within fifteen (15) days (or such shorter period as may be required in any such notice) after notice of such violation is delivered to the owner of the lot upon which such violation exists, or to the member responsible for such violation if the same shall be committed or attempted on premises other than the lot owned by such member, then the Association shall have the right, through its agents and employees but only after a resolution of the Architectural and Environmental Control Committee) to enter upon such lot and to take such steps as may be necessary to remove or otherwise terminate or abate such violation and the cost thereof may be assessed against the lot upon which such violation occurred and, when so assessed, a statement for the amount thereof shall be rendered to the owner of said lot at which time the assessment shall become due and payable and a continuing lien upon such lot, and a binding personal obligation of the owner of such lot, in all respects (and subject to the same limitations) as provided in Article VI of this Declaration. The Association shall have the further right, through its agents, employees or committees, to enter upon and inspect any lot at any reasonable time for the purpose of ascertaining whether any violation of the provisions of this Article or any of the other provisions or requirements of this Declaration, exist on such lot, and neither the Association nor any such agent or employee shall be deemed to have committed a trespass or other wrongful act by reason of such entry or inspection.

#### ARTICLE VIII

Section 1. Reservation of Easement Rights by Declarant. The Declarant hereby reserved a non-exclusive easement and right-of-way in, through, over and across the common areas and community facilities for the purpose of the storage of building supplies and materials, the installation, construction, maintenance, reconstruction and repair of sanitary sewer lines, water lines, CATV cables, storm drains and appurtenances to any of the same, and for all other purposes reasonably related to the completion of construction and the provisions of utility services, whether public or private, to the community and to other property adjacent to, or in the vicinity of, the community. Any and all instruments of conveyancing made by the Declarant to the Association with respect to any of the common areas and community facilities shall be conclusively deemed to incorporate this reservation, whether or not specifically set forth in such instruments. At the request in writing of the Declarant, the Association shall from time to time execute, acknowledge and deliver to the Declarant such further assurances of this reservation as may be necessary.

Section 2. Easements for Utilities and Related Purposes. The Association is authorized and empowered to grant (and shall from time to time grant) such other licenses, easements and rights-of-way over the common areas and community facilities for sewer lines, electrical cables, telephone cables, gas lines, storm drains, CATV cables, underground conduits and such other purposes related to the provisions of utility services to the community as may be considered necessary and appropriate by the Board

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of Directors for the orderly maintenance, preservation and enjoyment of the common areas and community facilities and for the preservation of the health, safety, convenience and welfare of the owners of the lots of the Declarant.

Any and all streets, walkways, roadways, sidewalks and the like which are owned by the Association shall be subject to non-exclusive easements for ingress, egress and regress for the benefit of all members of the Association, the Declarant, their respective heirs, personal representatives and assigns and all other persons or other parties claiming under any of them.

#### ARTICLE IX

Section 1. Amendment. Subject to the other limitations set forth in this Declaration, prior to the lapse of all of the Class B memberships in the Association, as in Article III provided, this Declaration may be amended only by an instrument executed and acknowledged by two-thirds (2/3) of the Class A members of the Association, if any, and by 2/3 of the Class B members present at a duly constituted meeting, which instrument shall be recorded among the Land Records for Prince George's County, Maryland. Subject to the other limitations set forth in this Declaration, following the lapse of all of the Class B memberships in the Association, as in Article III provided, this Declaration may be amended by an instrument executed and acknowledged by two-thirds (2/3) of the Class A members of the Association present at a duly constituted meeting, which instrument shall be recorded among the Land Records for Prince George's County, Maryland. Unless a later date is specified in any such instrument, any amendment to this Declaration shall become effective on the date of recording.

Section 2. Duration. Unless amended in accordance with the provisions of Section 1 of this Article and the other requirements of this Declaration, and except where permanent easements or other permanent rights or interests are herein created, the covenants and restrictions of this Declaration shall run with and bind the land, and shall inure to the benefit of and be enforceable by the Association, or the owner of any lot subject to this Declaration, their respective legal representatives, heirs, successors and assigns, for a term of thirty (30) years from the date of recordation of this Declaration, after which the said covenants shall be automatically extended for successive periods of ten (10) years each.

Section 3. Construction and Enforcement. The provisions hereof shall be liberally construed to effectuate the purpose of creating a uniform plan for the development and operation of the community. Enforcement of these covenants and restrictions shall be by any proceeding at law or in equity against any person or persons violating or attempting to violate any covenant or restriction, either to restrain or enjoin violation or to recover damages, or both, and against any lot to enforce the lien created hereby; and the failure or forbearance by the Association or the owner of any lot to enforce any covenant or restriction herein contained shall in no event be deemed a waiver of the right to do so thereafter.

The provisions hereof may be enforced without limitation, by the Association, by any owner or any mortgagee of any lot which becomes subject to the provisions hereof and by any other person, firm, corporation or other legal entity who has any right to the use of any of the common areas and community facilities owned by the Association, including, again without limitation, any person, firm, corporation or other legal entity who has any right to the use of any of the streets or roadways owned by the Association.

There shall be and there is hereby created and declared to be a conclusive presumption that any violation or breach or attempted violation or breach of any of the within covenants or restrictions cannot be adequately remedied by action at law or exclusively by recovery of damages.

Section 4. Successors of Declarant. Any and all rights, reservations, easements, interests, exemptions, privileges and powers of the Declarant hereunder, or any part of them, may be assigned and transferred (exclusively or non-exclusively) by the Declarant, with or without notice to the Association.

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Section 5. Incorporation by Reference on Resale. In the event any owner sells or otherwise transfers any lot, any deed purporting to effect such transfer shall contain a provision incorporating by reference the covenants, restrictions, servitudes, easements, charges and liens set forth in this Declaration.

Section 6. Notices. Any notice required to be sent to any member or owner under the provisions of this Declaration shall be deemed to have been properly sent when mailed, by ordinary mail, postage prepaid, to the last known address of the person who appears as a member or owner on the records of the Association at the time of such mailing.

Section 7. No Dedication to Public Use. Nothing herein contained shall be construed as a dedication to public use or as an acceptance for maintenance of any common areas or community facility by any public or municipal agency, authority, or utility.

Section 8. Severability. Invalidation of any one of these covenants or restrictions by judgment, decree or order shall in no way affect any other provisions hereof, each of which shall remain in full force and effect.

Section 9. Consents. Any other provision of this Declaration to the contrary notwithstanding, neither the members, the Board of Directors nor the Association shall, by act or omission, take any of the following actions without the prior written consent and approval of the holders of all first mortgages of record on the lots:

(a) Abandon, petition, subdivide, grant easements, encumber, sell or transfer any of the common areas and community, facilities; and the like for public utilities or for other purposes consistent with the use of the common areas and community facilities by the members of the Association shall not be considered a transfer within the meaning of this Section; or

(b) abandon or terminate this Declaration; or

(c) modify or amend any material or substantive provisions of this Declaration or the By-Laws of the Association; or

(d) substantially modify the method of determining and collecting maintenance assessments as provided in this Declaration.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the said Four Thirty Seven Land Company Inc., a Delaware corporation, has caused these presents to be executed and delivered, and by the execution and delivery of these presents, said corporation does hereby appoint Robert MacSwain as its respective true and lawful attorneys-in-fact to execute, deliver and record this Declaration as the act and deed of this corporation.

Attest:

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LAND COMPANY INC.  
A Delaware Corporation

James E. Fine  
Secretary

By: Robert MacSwain

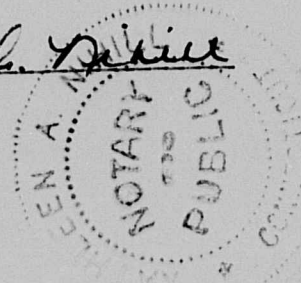
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Kathleen E. Doherty  
Notary Public

My Commission Expires: March 31, 1986





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THIS IS TO CERTIFY that the undersigned is a member in good standing of the Bar of the Court of Appeals of Maryland and that this instrument was prepared by her or under her supervision.

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