

BY-LAWS  
OF  
BRANDT VILLAGE HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION

ARTICLE I

NAME AND LOCATION

The name of the corporation is the Brandt Village Homeowners Association, hereinafter referred to as the "Association". The principal office of the corporation shall be located at 1951 Battleground Avenue, Greensboro, Guilford County, North Carolina, but meetings of members and directors may be held at such places within the State of North Carolina, County of Guilford, as may be designated by the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE II

DEFINITIONS

Section 1. "Association" shall mean and refer to the Brandt 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, and such additions thereto as may hereafter be brought within the jurisdiction of the Association.

Section 3. "Common Area" shall mean all real property including improvements thereto owned by the Association for the common use and enjoyment of the Owners.

Section 4. "Lot" shall mean and refer to any numbered plot of land shown upon any recorded subdivision map of the Properties with the exception of the Common Area and dedicated streets.

Section 5. "Owner" shall mean and refer to the record Owner, whether one or more persons or entities, of the fee simple title to any lot which is a part of the Properties, including contract sellers, but excluding those having such interest as security for the performance of an obligation.

Section 6. "Declarant" shall mean and refer to Brandt Village Associates, its successors and assigns if such successors or assigns should acquire more than one undeveloped Lot from the Declarant for the purpose of development.

Section 7. "Declaration" shall mean and refer to the Declaration of Covenants, Conditions and Restrictions applicable

to the Properties recorded in the Office of the Register of Deeds of Guilford County, North Carolina.

Section 8. "Member" shall mean and refer to those persons or entities entitled to membership with voting rights as provided in the Declaration and in Article III, Section 1 of these By-Laws.

Section 9 "Living Unit" shall mean and refer to any portion of a building situated upon the Properties designed and intended for use and occupancy as a residence.

### ARTICLE III

#### MEMBERSHIP AND PROPERTY RIGHTS

Section 1. Membership. Every Owner of a Lot which is subject to assessments shall be a Member of the Association. Membership shall be appurtenant to and may not be separated from ownership of any Lot subject to assessment. The voting rights of the Members shall be as provided by the Declaration. When more than one person holds an interest in any Lot, all such persons shall be Members. The vote or votes for such Lot shall be exercised as they among themselves determine, but in no event shall more than one (1) vote be cast with respect to any Lot. The President of the Association shall have the authority to require that such multiple Owners of a Lot file a Certificate with the Secretary of the Association, signed by all of the Owners, designating the person entitled to cast the vote for such Lot. Such Certificate shall be valid until revoked by a subsequent Certificate. If such Certificate is not filed when required, the vote of such Owners shall not be considered in determining the requirements for a quorum or for any other purpose.

Section 2. Property Rights. Each Member shall be entitled to the use and enjoyment of the 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, subject to such rules and regulations as may be established from time to time by the Association. Such Member shall notify the secretary of the Association in writing of the name of the delegate. The rights and privileges of such delegates are subject to suspension to the same extent as those of the Member.

### ARTICLE IV

#### MEETINGS OF MEMBERS

Section 1. Annual Meetings. The first annual meeting of the Members shall be held within one year from the date of incorporation of the Association, and each subsequent regular annual meeting of the Members shall be held on the same day of the same month of each year thereafter, at the hour of 7:00 o'clock p.m. or at such

time and place as the Board of Directors may prescribe. If the day for the annual meeting of the Members is a legal holiday, the meeting will be held at the same hour on the first day following which is not a legal holiday.

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 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, 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 notice required herein, signed by him before or after such meeting, shall be equivalent to the giving of such notice.

Section 4. Quorum. The presence of 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 By-Laws. 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. The joinder of a member in the action shall constitute the presence of such person for the purposes of determining a quorum.

Section 5. Proxies. At all meetings of Members, each Member may vote in person or by proxy. All proxies shall be in writing and filed with the secretary. Every proxy shall be revocable and shall automatically cease upon conveyance by the Member of his Lot.

## ARTICLE V

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

Section 1. Number. The affairs of this Association shall be managed by a Board of Five (5) Directors, who need not be members of the Association.

Section 2. Term of Office. At the first annual meeting, the Members shall elect Five (5) directors. The term of office of the three (3) directors receiving the highest plurality of votes shall be established at two (2) years and the term of office of the two directors receiving the next highest plurality of votes shall be

established at on (1) year. Thereafter, as (ny directors of the Association shall be elected at each annual meeting as there are regular terms of office of directors expiring at such time, and the term of office of the directors as elected at the annual meeting of the Members each year shall be for two (2) years, expiring at the second annual meeting following their election, and thereafter until their successors are duly 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. 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

### 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 to serve 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 VII

### MEETINGS OF DIRECTORS

Section 1. Regular Meetings. Regular meetings of the Board of Directors shall be held monthly, or at such other periodic intervals as may be established by the Board of Directors from time to time, without notice, at such place and hour as may be fixed from time to time by resolution of the Board. Should said meeting 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 of Directors 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 from the transaction of business. Every act or decision done 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. The joinder of a Director in the action of a meeting by signing and concurring in the minutes thereof shall constitute the presence of such Director for the purpose of determining a quorum.

Section 4. Waiver of Notice. Any Director may waive notice of a meeting before or after the meeting, and such waiver shall be deemed equivalent to the giving of notice.

## ARTICLE VIII

### POWERS AND DUTIES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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

(a) adopt and publish rules and regulations governing the use of the Common Area and facilities, and the personal conduct of the Members, and their guests thereon, and to establish penalties for the infraction thereof;

(b) suspend the voting rights and right to use of any recreational facilities of a Member during any period in which such Member shall be in default in the payment of any assessment, dues or charge levied by the Association. Such rights may also be suspended after notice and hearing, for a period not to exceed 60 days for infraction of published rules and regulations;

(c) exercise for the Association all powers, duties and authority vested in or delegated to this Association, and not reserved to the membership by other provisions of these By-Laws, the Articles of Incorporation, or the Declaration;

(d) 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;

(e) employ a manager, an independent contractor, or such other employees as they deem necessary, and to prescribe their duties; and

(f) employ attorneys to represent the Association when deemed necessary.

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

(a) cause to be kept a complete record of all its acts and corporate affairs and to present a statement thereof to the Members at the annual meeting of the Members, or any special meeting when such statement is requested by writing by one-fourth (1/4) of the Class A members who are entitled to vote;

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

(c) as more fully provided in the Declaration, to:

(1) fix the amount of the annual assessment against each Lot at least thirty (30) days in advance of each annual assessment period;

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

(3) foreclose the lien against any property for which assessments are not paid within thirty (30) days after due date or to bring an action at law against the Owner personally obligated to pay the same.

(d) issue, or to cause an appropriate officer to issue, upon demand by any person, a certificate setting forth whether or not any assessment has been paid. A reasonable charge may be made by the Board for the issuance of these certificates. If a certificate states an assessment has been paid, such certificate shall be conclusive evidence of such payment;

(e) procure and maintain adequate liability insurance covering the Association, its directors, officers, agents and employees and to procure and maintain adequate hazard insurance on the real and personal property owned by the Association;

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

(g) cause the Common Area to be maintained;

(h) cause the exterior of dwellings on Lots and all walkways located on any Lot to be maintained; and

(i) adopt and publish rules and regulations governing the storage and disposal of trash or refuse of any kind on the common area or on any portion of any Lot, including that portion occupied by the Living Unit.

## ARTICLE IX

### OFFICERS AND THEIR DUTIES

Section 1. Enumeration of Offices. The officers of this 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, including additional vice-presidents who need not be members of the Board of Directors.

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 any time by giving written notice to the Board, the president or the secretary. Such resignation shall take effect on the date and 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 by appointment by the Board. The officer appointed to such vacancy shall serve for the remainder of the term of the officer he replaces.

Section 7. Duties. The duties of the officers are as follows:

President

(a) the president shall preside at all meetings of the Board of Directors; 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 checks and promissory notes.

Vice-President

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

Secretary and Assistant Secretary

(c) 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 together with their addresses, and shall perform such other duties as required by the Board. The assistant secretary shall assist the secretary and act in place and stead of the secretary in the event of his or her absence.

Treasurer

(d) 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; shall sign all checks and promissory notes of the Association; keep proper books of account; cause an annual audit of the Association books to be made by a public accountant at the completion of each fiscal year; and shall prepare an annual budget and statement of income and expenditures to be presented to the membership at its regular annual meeting and deliver a copy of each to the Members.

Section 8. 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.

## ARTICLE X

### COMMITTEES

The Board of Directors may appoint an Architectural Control Committee and a Groundskeeping Committee, as provided in the Declaration, and a Nominating Committee, as provided in these By-Laws. In addition, the Board of Directors shall appoint other committees as deemed appropriate in carrying out its purpose.

## ARTICLE XI

### 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. The Declaration, the Articles of Incorporation and the By-Laws of the Association shall be available for inspection by any Member at the principal office of the Association, where copies may be purchased at reasonable cost.

## ARTICLE XII

### ASSESSMENTS

As more fully provided in the Declaration, each Member is obligated to pay to the Association annual and special assessments which are secured by a continuing lien upon the property against which the assessment is made. Any assessments which are not paid when due shall be delinquent. If the assessment is not paid within thirty (30) days after the due date, the assessment shall bear interest from the date of delinquency at the rate of eight percent (8%) per annum, and the Association may bring an action at law against the Owner personally obligated to pay the same or foreclose the lien against the property, and interest, costs and reasonable attorney's fees of any such action shall be added to the amount of such assessments. No Owner may waive or otherwise escape liability for the assessments provided for herein by non-use of the Common Area or abandonment of his Lot.

## ARTICLE XIII

### CORPORATE SEAL

The Association shall have a seal in circular form having within its circumference the words: Brandt Village Homeowners Association, North Carolina.

ARTICLE XIV

AMENDMENTS

Section 1. These By-Laws may be amended, at a regular or special meeting of the Members, by a vote of a majority of quorum of Members present in person or by proxy, except that the Federal Housing Administration or the Veterans Administration shall have the right to veto amendments while there is Class B membership.

Section 2. In the case of any conflict between the Articles of Incorporation and these By-Laws, the Articles shall control; and in the case of any conflict between the Declaration and these By-Laws, the Declaration shall control.

ARTICLE XV

FISCAL YEAR

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.

Certification

I, the undersigned, do hereby certify:

That I am the duly elected and acting secretary of the Brandt Village Homeowners Association, a North Carolina corporation, and

THAT the foregoing By-Laws constitute the original By-Laws of said Association as duly adopted at a meeting of the Board of Directors thereof, held on the 30 day of September, 1983.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed the seal of said Association this 6<sup>th</sup> day of October, 1983.

Janet W. Farrell  
Secretary

(Corporate Seal)