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Section 3. Neighborhoods and Voting Groups.

(a) Neighborhoods. Every Unit shall be located within a Neighborhood as defined in Article I. The Units within a particular Neighborhood may be subject to additional covenants and/or the Unit Owners may all be members of another owners association ("Neighborhood Association") in addition to the Association, but no such Neighborhood Association shall be required except in the case of a condominium or otherwise as required by law. Any Neighborhood which does not have a Neighborhood Association shall elect a Neighborhood Committee, as described in Article V, Section 3, of the By-Laws, to represent the interests of Owners of Units in such Neighborhood.

Each Neighborhood, upon the affirmative vote, written consent, or a combination thereof, of a majority of Owners within the Neighborhood, may request that the Association provide a higher level of service or special services for the benefit of Units in such Neighborhood. The Association shall provide such services and the cost of such services shall be assessed against the benefitted Units as a Neighborhood Contribution pursuant to Article X hereof.

The senior elected officer of each Neighborhood Association or Neighborhood Committee shall serve as the Voting Member for such Neighborhood and shall cast all votes attributable to Units in the Neighborhood on all Association matters requiring membership vote, unless otherwise specified in this Declaration or the By-Laws. The next most senior officer shall be the alternate Voting Member and may cast such votes in the absence of the Voting Member. The Voting Member may cast all such votes as it, in its discretion, deems appropriate. Notwithstanding the above, each Voting Member shall cast only one (1) equal vote for election of directors.

Each portion of the Properties which is intended to be subdivided for development as two (2) or more Units at the time it is conveyed by the Declarant or is described on a single plat or series of plats by the same name shall constitute a separate Neighborhood. Initially, Declarant will determine the composition of Neighborhoods, and this determination will be placed on file with the Board. The developer of any such Neighborhood may apply to the Board of Directors to divide the parcel constituting the Neighborhood into more than one (1) Neighborhood or to combine two (2) or more Neighborhoods into one (1) Neighborhood at any time. Upon a petition signed by a majority of the Unit Owners in the Neighborhood any Neighborhood may also apply to the Board of Directors to divide the property comprising the Neighborhood into two (2) or more Neighborhoods or to combine two (2) Neighborhoods into one (1) Neighborhood. Any such application shall be in writing and shall include a plat of survey of the entire parcel which indicates the boundaries of the proposed Neighborhood(s) or otherwise identifies the Units included within the proposed Neighborhood(s). A Neighborhood consolidation shall automatically