

owns ninety percent (90%) or more of the subdivided lots, the Declarant may alter or amend these covenants without consent of anyone. After the expiration of the initial twenty (20) year period, these restrictions are subject to being altered, modified, cancelled or changed at any time as to said subdivision as a whole or as to any subdivided lot or part thereof by written document executed by not less than seventy-five percent (75%) of the Lot Owners, and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds of the County in which this Declaration is recorded.

(b) Notwithstanding the above, Declarant may amend this Declaration in accordance with Paragraph 3 above to add additional property to this Declaration.

(c) The Declarant, without the consent or approval of any other Owner, shall have the right to amend this Declaration to conform to the requirements of any law or governmental agency having legal jurisdiction over the Property or to qualify the Property or any Lots and improvements thereon for mortgage or improvement loans made by, guaranteed by, sponsored by or insured by a governmental or quasi-governmental agency or to comply with the requirements of law or regulations of any corporation or agency belonging to, sponsored by or under the substantial control of, the United States Government or the State of North Carolina, regarding purchase or sale in such lots and improvements, or mortgage interests therein, as well as any other law or regulation relating to the control of the Property, including, without limitation, ecological controls, construction standards, aesthetics and matters affecting the public health, safety and general welfare. A letter from an official of any such corporation or agency, including, without limitation, the Veterans Administration (VA), U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation, or the Federal National Mortgage Association, requiring an amendment as a condition of approval, or suggesting an amendment, shall be sufficient evidence of the approval of such amendment of VA, HUD and/or such corporation or agency and permit Declarant to amend in accord with such letter. No amendment made pursuant to this Section shall be effective until duly recorded in the Register of Deeds for Onslow County, North Carolina.

17. Declarant's Rights:

Any or all of the special rights and obligations of the Declarant may be transferred to other persons or entities, provided that the transfer shall not reduce an obligation nor enlarge a right beyond that contained herein, and provided further, no such transfer shall be effective unless it is in a written instrument signed by the Declarant and duly recorded in the county in which this Declaration is recorded. Nothing in this Declaration shall be construed to require Declarant or any successor to develop any of the property set forth in Exhibit A in any manner whatsoever.

Notwithstanding any provisions contained in the Declaration to the contrary, it shall be expressly permissible for Declarant to maintain and carry on upon portions of the Common Area such facilities and activities as, in the sole opinion of Declarant, successors and assigns, may be reasonably required, convenient, or incidental to the sale, re-sale, or rental of such