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AMENDED DECLARATION  
OF COVENANTS, CONDITIONS AND RESTRICTIONS  
OF  
MEADOW MOUNTAIN PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION NO. I, INC.

THIS AMENDED DECLARATION, is made on the date hereinafter set forth by Meadow Mountain Corporation (MMC), hereinafter referred to as "Declarant" and is made pursuant to Article XIV, Section 4, of that Declaration executed January 23, 1979, and recorded in Volume 6455, Page 1885 of the Deed Records of Travis County, Texas.

WITNESSETH

WHEREAS, Declarant is the sole owner of certain property in The City of Austin, County of Travis, State of Texas, which is more particularly described in Exhibit "A" which is attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference for a full description of said property.

WITNESSETH

WHEREAS, Declarant desires to create thereon a predominantly residential community with permanent greenbelts and open spaces, and other common facilities for the benefit of the said community; and

WHEREAS, Declarant desires to provide for the preservation of the values and amenities in said community and for the maintenance of said greenbelts, open spaces and other common facilities; and to that end, desires to subject the property herein described 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, Declarant has deemed it desirable, for the efficient preservation of the values and amenities in said community, to create a Property Owner's Association to which should be delegated and assigned the powers of maintaining, administering and enforcing the covenants and restrictions and collecting and disbursing the assessment and charges hereinafter created;

NOW THEREFORE, Declarant hereby declares that all of the property herein described shall be held, sold and conveyed subject to the following easements restrictions, covenants, and conditions, which are for the purpose of protecting the value and desirability of, and which shall run with, the real property and be binding on all parties having any right, title or interest in the described property or any part thereof, their heirs, successors and assigns, and shall inure to the benefit of each owner thereof.

ARTICLE I

DEFINITIONS

Section 1. "Association" shall mean and refer to Meadow Mountain Property Owners Association No. I, Inc., its successors and assigns.

Section 2. "Owner" shall mean and refer to the owners of record, whether one or more persons or entities, of title to any Lot which is a part of the Properties, including contract sellers, but excluding those having such interest merely as security for the performance of an obligation.

Section 3. "Properties" shall mean and refer to that certain real property hereinbefore described, and such additions thereto as may hereafter be brought within the jurisdiction of the Association.

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Section 4. "Common Area" shall mean all property owned by the Association for the common use and enjoyment of the owners. The Common Area to be owned by the Association at the time of the conveyance of the first lot is described as follows:

All common areas including but not restricted to green belts, walks, park, trails, common roadways and drives, swimming pool, excluding building Lots, as shown on the plat recorded in Volume 77, Page 256 and 257, Travis County, Texas, Plat Records.

Section 5. "Lot" shall mean and refer to any plot of land including community building lots shown upon any recorded planned unit development map of the Properties with the exception of the common area.

Section 6. "Declarant" shall mean and refer to Meadow Mountain Corporation, its successors and assigns.

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

#### ARTICLE II

##### POWERS IN DECLARANT

Section 1. Changes in Boundaries. The Declarant reserves the right to make such changes in the boundaries of lots not sold to others and on the Common Areas as it deems advisable, provided that such changes shall not unreasonably or substantially adversely affect the boundaries or the beneficial use and enjoyment of any lot then owned by persons other than the Declarant, and provided that Declarant complies with all provisions of any applicable law or ordinance. The reasonableness of any such boundary change, if disputed by a lot owner other than Declarant, shall be determined by a registered professional engineer of a choice acceptable in advance by both parties. If no engineer is acceptable to both or if either party is aggrieved by the decision of the engineer, then a mediator shall be appointed by the American Arbitration Association. All costs of arbitration shall be borne by the losing party thereto.

Section 2. Adding and Removing Property Owned by Declarant. Declarant reserves, and shall at all times have the right, without the consent or approval of any other person to plat or replat the boundaries or dimensions of any lot or other property owned by Declarant and may increase or decrease or change the size, shape, or dimensions of any lot or other property owned by Declarant and may designate the lots or other property owned by Declarant which shall and shall not be entitled to the use and enjoyment of any of the common areas and other privileges, subject to the obligations of this declaration of covenants, conditions, and restrictions.

Section 3. Temporary Administration. Until such time as Declarant has sold, conveyed and approved completed buildings and improvements on twenty-seven (27) Lots, as hereinabove defined and described, or the expiration of sixty (60) months after the date this declaration is filed for record, whichever occurs first, Declarant shall have the right, but shall not have the duty, to act as the sole administrator for the government and administration of the affairs of the association, and during such period of Temporary Administration Declarant shall have the right to exclusively exercise and perform all of the rights, powers, authority, functions and duties of the association

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if Declarant shall elect to exercise or perform all or any of the same.

ARTICLE III

PROPERTY RIGHTS IN THE COMMON AREAS

Section 1. Owner's Easements of Enjoyment. Every owner shall have a right and easement of enjoyment in and to the Common Area which shall be appurtenant to and shall pass with the title to every Lot, subject to the following provisions:

(a) The right of the Association to charge reasonable admission and other fees for the use of any recreational facility situated upon the Common Area;

(b) the right of the Association to suspend the voting rights and the right to use of the recreational facilities by an Owner for any period during which any assessment against his Lot remains unpaid; and for a period not to exceed 60 days for each infraction of its published rules and regulations;

(c) the right of the Association to dedicate or transfer all or any part of the Common Area to any public agency, authority, or utility for such purposes and subject to such conditions as may be agreed to by the members. No such dedication or transfer shall be effective unless an instrument signed by two-thirds (2/3) of each class of members agreeing to such dedication or transfer has been recorded.

(d) the right of the Association, in accordance with its Articles of Incorporation and By-Laws, to borrow money for the purpose of improving the Common Area and facilities and in aid thereof to mortgage said Common Property and the rights of such mortgage in such Common Property shall be subordinate to the rights of the homeowners hereunder.

Section 2. Delegation of Use. Any owner may delegate, in accordance with the By-Laws, his right of enjoyment to the Common Area and facilities to the members of his family, his tenants, or contract purchasers who reside on the property.

Section 3. Owner's Use. Owners' use of their lot and the Common Areas are subject to the provisions of the Articles herein regarding common scheme restrictions, architectural control, party walls, exterior maintenance, and all other articles herein.

ARTICLE IV

MEMBERSHIP AND VOTING RIGHTS

Section 1. Every owner of a lot which is subject to assessment shall be a member of the Association. Membership shall be appurtenant to and may not be separated from ownership of any Lot which is subject to assessment.

Section 2. The Association shall have two classes of voting membership:

Class A. Class A members shall be all Owners with the exception of the Declarant and shall be entitled to one vote for each Lot owned. When more than one person holds an interest in any Lot, all such persons shall be members. The vote for such Lot shall be exercised as they among themselves determine, but in no event shall more than one vote be cast with respect to any Lot.

Class B. The Class B member(s) shall be the Declarant and shall be entitled to three (3) votes for each Lot owned. The Class B membership shall cease and be converted into Class A member-

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ship when the total votes outstanding in the Class A membership equal the total votes outstanding in the Class B membership, but such conversion shall not affect the provisions contained in Article II hereof.

ARTICLE V

COVENANT FOR MAINTENANCE ASSESSMENTS

Section 1. Creation of the Lien and Personal Obligation of Assessments.

Each owner of any Lot by acceptance of a deed to each Lot, whether or not it shall be so expressed in such deed, is deemed to covenant and agree to pay to the Association: (1) an Annual Assessment payable monthly, and (2) special assessments, for capital improvements, such assessments to be established and collected as hereinafter provided. The Annual and special assessments, together with interest, costs, and reasonable attorney's fees, shall, to the full extent permitted by law, 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 interest, costs, including fees for release of liens, 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.

Section 2. Purpose of Assessments. The assessments levied by the Association shall be used exclusively to promote the recreation, health, safety, and welfare of the residents in the Properties and for the improvement and maintenance of the Common Area.

Section 3. Maximum Monthly Assessment. Until January 1 of the year immediately following the conveyance of the first Lot to an Owner, the maximum monthly assessment shall be Forty-Five (\$45.00) Dollars per Lot.

- (a) From and after January 1 of the year immediately following the conveyance of the first Lot to an Owner, the maximum monthly assessment may be increased each year not more than 5% above the maximum assessment for the previous year without a vote of the membership.
- (b) From and after January 1 of the year immediately following the conveyance of the first Lot to an Owner, the maximum annual assessment may be increased above 5% by a vote of two-thirds (2/3) of each class of members who are voting in person or by proxy, at a meeting duly called for this purpose.
- (c) The Board of Directors may fix the monthly assessment at an amount not in excess of the maximum.

Section 4. Special Assessments for Capital Improvements. In addition to the monthly 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 cost of any construction, reconstruction, repair or replacement of a capital improvement upon the Common Area, including 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.

Section 5. Notice and Quorum for any Action Authorized Under Sections 3 and 4. Written notice of any meeting called for the purpose of taking any

action authorized under Section 3 or 4 shall be sent to all members not less than 7 days no more than 50 days in advance of the meeting. At the first such meeting called, the presence of members or of proxies entitled to vote sixty percent (60%) of all the votes of each class of membership shall constitute a quorum. If the required quorum is not present, another meeting may be called subject to the same notice requirement, and the required quorum at the subsequent meeting shall be one-half (1/2) of the required quorum at the preceding meeting. No such subsequent meeting shall be held more than 60 days following the preceding meeting.

Section 6. Uniform Rate of Assessment. Both monthly and special assessments must be fixed at a uniform rate for all Lots and may be collected on a monthly basis, provided that the monthly rate for the Lots owned by the Declarant shall be fixed at one-fourth (1/4) the assessment rate for the other Lots.

Section 7. Date of Commencement of Monthly Assessments: Due Dates. The monthly assessments provided for herein shall commence as to all lots the first day of the month following the conveyance of the Common Area and shall continue for each of the months remaining in the calendar year. The Board of Directors shall fix the amount of the monthly assessment against each Lot at least thirty (30) days before each January 1. Written notice of the monthly assessment shall be sent to every Owner subject thereto. The due dates shall be established by the Board of Directors. The Association shall, upon demand, and for a reasonable charge, furnish a certificate signed by an officer of the Association setting forth whether the assessments on a specified Lot have been paid.

Section 8. Effect of Nonpayment of Assessments: Remedies of the Association. Any assessment not paid on the date when due, shall be immediately delinquent and shall, together with such interest and cost of collection as is hereinafter provided, immediately become a continuing lien on the property which shall, to the full extent permitted by law, bind such property in the hands of the then Owner, his heirs, devisees, personal representative, successors and assigns. If the assessment is not paid within thirty (30) days after the due (delinquent) date, the assessment shall bear interest from the due (delinquent) date at the rate of ten percent (10%) per annum, and the Association may accelerate and declare immediately due and payable the next eleven (11) ensuing monthly assessments and may either (1) bring an action at law against the Owner personally obligated to pay the same or (2) foreclose the lien against the property, or (3) both, and, in either event, there shall be added to the amount of such assessment interest as provided and all costs of collection, including reasonable attorney's fees. 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.

Section 9. Subordination of the Lien to Mortgages. The lien of the assessments provided for herein shall be subordinate to the lien of any first mortgage. Sale or transfer of any Lot shall not affect the assessment lien. However, the sale or transfer of any Lot pursuant to mortgage foreclosure or any proceeding in lieu thereof, shall extinguish the lien of such assessments as to payments which become 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. No extinguishment of the lien shall relieve the delinquent Lot Owner from his personal obligation and liability therefore.

Section 10. Exempt Property. The following property subject to this Declaration shall be exempt from the assessments, charges and liens created herein:

- (a) All property dedicated and accepted by any local governmental authority and devoted to public use;
- (b) All Common Area as defined in Article 1, Section 4 hereof;
- (c) All additional Common Area which may be acquired through annexation.

Section 11. All Assessments Pro Rata. The assessment made against any Lot shall in no case be higher or lower than the assessment against any other Lot, except for (i) any Special Assessments allowed pursuant to Section 4 of Article VI and of Section 4 of Article IX of this Declaration which are properly attributable in the judgment of the Board of Directors of the Association, to less than all of the Lots and (ii) the adjustment provided in Section 9 above.

Section 12. No diminution or abatement of assessments shall be allowed or claimed for inconveniences or discomfort arising from the making of repairs or improvements to the Common Areas or Lots or from any action taken to comply with any law, ordinance or order of a governmental authority.

#### ARTICLE VI

##### MAINTENANCE BY AND SERVICES OF THE ASSOCIATION

Section 1. Common Area. The Association shall maintain the lands and improvements of all Common Areas as provided in this Declaration.

Section 2. Easement. The Association is hereby granted an easement of use and right of way on all Lots in order to comply with the terms of this Article and entry on a Lot for such purpose shall not be deemed trespass.

Section 3. Willful or Negligent Acts. In the event that the need for maintenance or repair is caused through the willful or negligent act of any Owner, his family, guests or invitees, the Association shall add cost of such maintenance or repairs, as a Special Assessment, to the normal Assessment of such owner.

Section 4. Merger with other Associations. The Association may merge with any other association which has objectives and purposes similar to the Association upon a vote of two-thirds (2/3) of the Memberships of each class at a meeting duly called for that purpose, written notice of which has been given to all Members not less than ten (10) nor more than fifty (50) days in advance of the meeting.

#### ARTICLE VII

##### PRIVACY WALLS & FENCES

Section 1. General Rules. In the case of some of the residences constructed on the Lots, the Declarant has built or may build residences adjoining each other by privacy walls and fences located on or near the boundary line of two Lots. These walls and fences shall be subject to the provisions of this Article.

Section 2. Destructive Acts. Each owner of a residence having a connecting privacy wall or fence covenants to do nothing to disturb the integrity and support provided by the wall or other structure by means of a penetration

or otherwise, Any Owner resident, or person for whom an Owner or resident is responsible for causing any such damage or injury shall be liable for the restoration thereof and for any other costs or expenses incurred in connection therewith.

Section 3. Damage or Injury. If damage or injury is caused by neither of such Owners, residents, or persons for whom they are responsible, then the restoration and other costs and expenses shall be borne equally by both such Owners or residents except to the extent insurance proceeds may be available.

Section 4. Sharing of Repair and Maintenance. The cost of reasonable repair and maintenance or a privacy wall or fence shall be shared by both Owners who make use of the wall in equal proportions.

Section 5. Application. This Article shall apply to privacy walls and fences located on or within six (6) inches of the boundary line between the adjoining Lots.

Section 6. Dispute. The Arbitration procedure specified in Article IX, Section 2 and Section 3, shall apply to any dispute concerning a party wall.

#### ARTICLE VIII

##### PERMITTED USES AND RESTRICTIONS

Section 1. General Restrictions. All Lots except the community building lots shall be used solely for private single family residential purposes and there shall not be constructed or maintained thereon more than one single family residence with a 2-space covered parking facility. The community building lots which shall be owned by Declarant, may be used as office and meeting spaces for Declarant, developers of Meadow Mountain, and others at Declarant's discretion. The community building lots, as contained in the recorded plat of the property, at the option of Declarant, may be converted into two (2) residential lots. No lot may be used as an apartment house, double house, flat, lodging house, hotel or, except for the community building lots, for any business purpose. Anything contained in this Section to the contrary notwithstanding, an Owner may lease his residence to a tenant for a term of a minimum of six (6) months.

Section 2. Noxious Uses. The land and improvements located on each Lot shall not be used so as to disturb the neighborhood or occupants of adjoining property, or to constitute a nuisance or to violate any public law, ordinance or regulation from time to time applicable thereto. Nor shall such land and improvements be used for any purpose which will create or emit any objectionable, offensive or noxious odors, dust, gas, fumes or other such material.

Section 3. Use of Common Area. The Common Area shall be used for park, recreational, social, access, established utility easements, approved drive-ways installed and maintained at owners' expense, and other purposes directly related to the property uses that are or may be authorized hereunder. Declarant may office on any property within the jurisdiction of the Association.

Section 4. Animals. No animals or birds, other than a reasonable number of small (small being defined as ordinarily weighing less than 30 pounds) generally shall be maintained on any Lot or the Common Area and

then only if they are kept thereon solely as domestic pets and not for breeding or raising or for commercial purposes. No animal or bird shall be allowed to make an unreasonable amount of noise, or to become a nuisance. No structure for the care or housing of any animal or bird shall be maintained so as to be visible from neighboring property. Upon the written request of any Owner the Board of Directors of the Association shall conclusively determine, in its sole and absolute discretion, whether, for the purposes of this paragraph, a particular animal or bird is a generally recognized house or yard pet, or a nuisance, or whether the number of animals or birds on any such property is reasonable.

Section 5. Antennas and Signals. No antenna or other device for the transmission or reception of television signals, radio signals, citizens band radio, or any other form of electromagnetic radiation shall be erected, used, or maintained on any Lot, whether attached to a building or structure or otherwise, without prior written approval of the Board of Directors of the Association, except that the Declarant or the Association may erect a common television antenna with approval of the Environmental Management Committee. No radio signals, television signals, or any other form of electromagnetic radiation shall originate from any Lot which may interfere with the reception of television or radio signals on any other Lot.

Section 6. Temporary Occupancy. No trailer, basement of any incomplete building, tent, shack, garage or barn, and no temporary building or structure of any kind shall be used at any time for a residence, either temporary or permanent. Temporary buildings or structures used during the construction, repair or remodeling of a dwelling on any such Lot or Common Area shall be moved immediately after the completion of construction.

Section 7. Trailers, Boats and Motor Vehicles. No mobile or motor home, trailer of any kind, truck camper, permanent tent or similar structure, boat or inoperable motor vehicle of any type shall be kept, placed, maintained, constructed, reconstructed or repaired upon any property or street or private driveway in such a manner as will be visible from neighboring property or a public street; provided, however, that the provisions of this paragraph shall not apply to emergency vehicle repairs or temporary construction shelters or facilities maintained during, and used exclusively in connection with, the construction of any improvement approved by the Environmental Management Committee, and provided further that campers, trailers, motor homes, and boats may be kept and placed in such public parking areas, if any, as may be designated by the Board of Directors. In addition, no motor vehicle of any type, whether operable or inoperable, may be constructed, reconstructed, or repaired upon any property or street or private driveway in such a manner as will be visible from neighboring property.

Section 8. Nuisances. No rubbish or debris of any kind shall be placed or permitted to accumulate upon or adjacent to any Lot or Common Area, and no odors shall be permitted to arise therefrom, so as to render any such property or portion thereof unsanitary, unsightly, offensive or detrimental to any other property in the vicinity thereof or to its occupants. No nuisance shall be permitted to exist or operate upon any such property in the vicinity thereof or to its occupants. Without limiting the generality



of any of the foregoing provisions, no exterior speakers, horns, whistles, bells or other sound devices, except security devices used exclusively for security purposes, shall be located, used or placed on any such property.

Section 9. Repair of Buildings. No building or structure upon any property within any Lot or Common Area shall be permitted to fall into disrepair, and each such building and structure shall at all times be kept in good condition and repair and adequately painted or otherwise finished.

Section 10. Trash Containers and Collection. No garbage or trash shall be placed or kept on any Lot or Common Area except in covered containers of a type, size and style which are approved by the Board of Directors, which may include the requirement that all containers will be disposable. In no event shall such containers be maintained so as to be visible from neighboring property except to make the same available for collection and, then, only the shortest time reasonably necessary to effect such collection. The provisions of this Section are subject to the rights created in Article IX, Section 3 hereof.

Section 11. Clothes Drying Facilities. Outside clotheslines or other outside facilities for drying or airing clothes shall not be erected, placed or maintained on any Lot or Common Area unless they are erected, placed and maintained exclusively within a fences service yard or otherwise concealed and not visible from neighboring property.

Section 12. Sidewalk Encroachments. No tree, shrub or planting of any kind on any Lot or Common Area shall be allowed to overhang or otherwise encroach upon any sidewalk or other pedestrian way from ground level to a height of seven (7) feet without the prior approval of the Environmental Management Committee.

Section 13. Right of Way. During reasonable hours Declarant, any member of the Environmental Management Committee, or member of the Board of Directors or any other representative of any of them, shall have the right to enter upon and inspect any Lot or Common Area for the purpose of ascertaining whether or not the provisions of these restrictions have been or are being complied with, and such persons shall not be deemed guilty of trespass by reason of such entry.

Section 14. Mineral Exploration. No Lot or Common Area shall be used in any manner to explore for or to remove any water, oil, or other hydrocarbons, minerals of any kind, gravel, earth or any earth substance of any kind.

Section 15. Machinery and Equipment. Without the approval of the Board of Directors of the Association or Declarant, no machinery or equipment of any kind shall be placed, operated or maintained upon or adjacent to any Lot or Common Area except such machinery or equipment as is usual and customary in Travis County, Texas, in connection with the use, maintenance, or construction of a private residence or appurtenant structures or recreational facilities maintained by the Association; provided, however, such machinery or equipment may be so placed, operated or maintained by any governmental, or quasi-governmental agency or public utility.

Section 16. Diseases and Insects. No Owner shall permit any thing or condition to exist upon any Lot or Common Area which shall induce, breed, or harbor plant diseases or noxious insects.

Section 17. Restriction on Further Subdivision. No Lot shall be further subdivided and no portion less than all of any such Lot nor any easement or other interest therein, shall be conveyed by any Owner, subject, however, to

the provisions of Article II hereon and except easements which may be granted to any governmental or quasi-governmental agency or a public utility.

Section 18. Signs. No signs whatsoever (moveable or affixed), including but not limited to, commercial, political and similar signs, which are visible from neighboring property shall be erected or maintained on any Lot except:

- (a) Such signs as may be required by law.
- (b) A residential identification sign of a combined total face area of seventy-two (72) square inches or less.
- (c) During the time of construction of any building or other improvement, one job identification sign not larger than eighteen (18) by twenty-four (24) inches in height and width and having a face area not larger than three (3) square feet.
- (d) A "For Sale," "For Rent," "For Lease" sign, of a reasonable type, size and appearance, which is approved by the Environmental Management Commission and similar to other signs customarily used in Travis County, Texas, to advertise individual parcels of residential real property.
- (e) Development identification and sales signs required by Declarant.

The content and location of all signs shall be subject to such rules as the Board of Directors of the Association may promulgate. The provisions of this paragraph shall not prevent Declarant from commencing, erecting, or maintaining structures or signs of any content or size on Lots owned by it or upon the Common Area when Declarant, in its sole discretion, deems it necessary or convenient to the development, sale, operation or other disposition of the Lots.

Section 19. Tanks, Solar Devices and Windmills. No elevated tanks, solar devices or windmills shall be erected without prior written approval of the Environmental Management Committee.

Section 20. Waste. No waste shall be committed on any Lot or the Common Area.

Section 21. Lighting. No lighting or illumination shall be placed upon any Lot or Common Area in such a manner as to cause nuisance glare on any other Lot.

Section 22. Building Encroachment Easements. No construction may exceed the limits of dedicated easements on adjacent Lots or Common Areas. As a maximum no encroachment may exceed the limits shown on the recorded plat of this property.

Section 23. Minimum Floor Area and Exterior Walls. Any residence constructed on said Lots must have not less than 1800 square feet, exclusive of open or screen porches, terraces, patios, driveways, carports and garages.

Section 24. Setbacks. No building shall be located on any Lot nearer to the front Lot line or nearer to the side Lot line than the minimum building setback lines shown on the recorded plat. For the purpose of this provision, eaves, steps, and open porches shall not be considered as a part of the building provided, however, that this shall not be construed to permit any portion of the building on any Lot to encroach upon another Lot in violation of the provisions of this Declaration.

Section 25. Easements. Easements for the installation and maintenance

of utilities and drainage facilities are reserved as shown on the recorded plat. No utility company, water district, political subdivision, or other authorized entity using the easements herein referred to shall be liable for any damage done by them or their assigns, agents, employees, or servants, to shrubbery, trees, or flowers, or to other property of the Owner situated within any such easement.

Section 26. Construction. With reasonable diligence, and in all events within nine (9) months from the commencement of construction (unless completion is prevented by war, strikes, or act of God), any dwelling commenced shall be completed as to its exterior, and all temporary structures shall be removed.

## ARTICLE IX

## GENERAL OBLIGATIONS OF OWNER

Section 1. General Maintenance. Each Owner shall maintain and care for all trees, plants, or foliage on his Lot except for areas and items maintained by the Association and otherwise keep his Lot and all improvements thereon in conformity to its condition when new. However, no Owner shall injure, remove or destroy any tree planted on any Lot by the Declarant or the Association or which has a trunk diameter of 10" four feet from ground level without the prior written approval of the Environmental Control Committee of the Association.

Section 2. Complaints by Owner. If any Owner believes any other Owner is in violation of this Declaration, he may so notify such Owner in writing, explaining his reasons for such complaint. If the Owner fails to remedy the alleged violation in ten (10) days after delivery of such notice, a complaint may be transmitted in writing to the Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Association, who shall thereupon choose, within not more than ten (10) days a neutral party to arbitrate the dispute in such a manner as the arbitrator deems best, but the arbitrator shall in all cases announce his decision within thirty (30) days after the transmittal of the complaint to the Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Association. If the Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Association or the arbitrator fails to act, the complaint will be considered denied. The arbitrator shall be paid his reasonable expenses, the cost of which shall be borne by the losing party.

Section 3. Complaints by the Association. If the Association believes any Owner is in violation of these Restrictive Covenants, it shall so notify such Owner in writing, explaining its reason for such complaint. If the Owner fails to remedy the alleged violation within ten (10) days following delivery of such notice, then the Association shall have the right to (i) institute appropriate legal action or (ii) submit the dispute to arbitration, such arbitration to be held in accordance with the rules of the American Arbitration Association by the action of a majority of the arbitrators chosen as follows: (a) the Owner and the Association shall each choose an arbitrator and a third arbitrator shall be chosen by the two (2) arbitrators previously chosen. If either party fails to choose an arbitrator within fifteen (15) days after the transmission of the complaint to the Owner, the other party may choose the second arbitrator. The decision of the arbitrators shall be made within thirty (30) days after the transmission of the complaint to the Owner. If the arbitrators fail to act within ninety (90) days, the complaint will be considered dismissed. The prevailing party in any such litigation or

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or arbitration shall be entitled to recover from the other party all costs and expenses thereof, including attorney's fees, in connection therewith.

Section 4. Remedy of Violations. If the arbitrator(s) as provided in Section 2 or Section 3 above upholds the complaint, the Owner shall be so notified in writing and shall promptly remedy the violation of the Declaration, and if he fails to remedy such violation within thirty (30) days after the date of such notice or in the time specified in any such proceeding, as appropriate, the Association may (but shall not be obligated to) make the appropriate repairs and add the cost of such repairs, as Special Assessment to the normal assessment of such Owner. The Association, and its designees, shall have the right to entry upon the Lot owned by such Owner for such purpose.

#### ARTICLE X

##### ENVIRONMENTAL AND ARCHITECTURAL MANAGEMENT

Section 1. Construction of Improvements. Since the maintenance of environmental and architectural harmony and unity are essential for the preservation and enhancement of the value of the Lots and the harmonious functioning of the community affected hereby, no improvements may be erected on any Lot by anyone other than the Declarant without the approval of the Environmental Management Committee (as such term is hereinafter defined) appointed by the Board of Directors of the Association. The term "improvements" shall include but shall not be limited to the erection of any structure, including but not limited to additions to or alteration of any buildings, detached buildings, privacy walls, fences, storage buildings, tool sheds, kennels, or other buildings for the care of animals, and greenhouses; the erection of any fence; the moving of any structure from another locality to a Lot; the grading, scraping, excavation or other rearranging of the surface of any Lot; the construction of any driveway, alleyway, walkway, entryway, patio, access, or other similar item, the alteration or replacing of any exterior surface, including the repainting of any painted surfaces and the painting of formerly unpainted surfaces; and the planting, replanting or rearrangement of any plant life or installation of window draperies or treatment visible from another Lot, the Common Area, or public streets.

Section 2. Environmental Management Committee. The Board of Directors of the Association shall appoint an Environmental Management Committee and an Architectural Review Subcommittee composed of at least (3) persons each to approve improvements proposed to be made by an Owner other than the Declarant. The Environmental Management Committee and Architectural Review Subcommittee may include persons with special expertise who are not members of the Association. An Owner may submit a preliminary set of plans for each lot as soon as practical to the Environmental Management Committee. Each Owner must submit two (2) final sets of plans and specifications for each lot to the Environmental Management Committee for its approval prior to starting construction. The Environmental Management Committee shall render its decision within forty-five (45) days of the acknowledged receipt of the two (2) final sets of plans and specifications for each lot, such decision to be made after consideration of the plans by the Architectural Review Subcommittee. The decision of the Environmental Management Committee shall be in writing either

approving the plans and specifications or disapproving them, in the latter case making specific reference to those features which caused the disapproval. Approval may be conditioned upon completion within a specified period of time. All decisions shall be made by a majority vote of the Environmental Management Committee. A failure of the Committee to act within the prescribed time will result in the project being considered approved.

Section 3. Extent of Environmental Management Committee's Authority.

The Environmental Management Committee shall have the authority, prior to granting its approval, to relocate on the plans structures, landscaping and other proposed improvements and may require changes in the appearance of proposed improvements. Such relocation, changes, and other requirements may be based upon, among other things, aesthetic preference of the majority of the Environmental Management Committee or impervious cover guidelines and the decision of the Environmental Management Committee shall be final and binding.

Section 4. Grading, Excavation and Runoff Control Plans. These plans

are to accompany architectural plans submitted to the Environmental Management Committee and shall include description of proposed cuts and fills, plans for handling excavated material and plans for controlling runoff during construction and after the construction proposed on site is completed.

Section 5. Landscaping Plan. A landscaping plan shall accompany any

architectural plan submitted to the Environmental Management Committee and it shall include a description of the overall landscaping plan and specific information about plans for existing trees on site with trunks measuring 10" in diameter or more measured 4' above existing ground level.

ARTICLE XI

EASEMENT AND RIGHTS

Section 1. General Easement. The Declarant (so long as it shall retain record title to any Lot or the Common Areas) and the Association reserve the right and easement to the use of the Common Area and any Lot or any portion thereof, as may be needed for repair, maintenance, or construction on such Lot or any other Lot or the Common Areas.

Section 2. Crossover Easement. If the Owner (including the Declarant) of any Lot must, in order to make reasonable repairs or improvements to a building on his Lot, enter or cross the Common Areas or a Lot of another Owner, such Owner shall have an easement to do so; provided that said Owner shall use the most direct, feasible route in entering and crossing over such an area and shall restore the surface so entered or crossed to its original condition at the expense of said Owner and further provided such easement shall not exist on the land of any other Lot Owner, if the purpose for the entrance or crossing is one requiring, by virtue of Article X of this Declaration, approval of the Environmental Management Committee of the Association, unless such approval has been given.

Section 3. Alteration Easement. If the Owner (including the Declarant) of any Lot, must, in order to make reasonable repairs or improvements to a building on such Lot, alter the building of any other person, said Owner shall have the right to do so, provided that said Owner shall (i) create as little alteration as possible consistent with good building and engineering practices (ii) promptly restore the building altered to its original condition at the expense of said Owner and (iii) provide such bonding as the Owner of the

building to be altered shall reasonably require; and further provided such alteration shall not be allowed if the purpose for which the alteration must occur is one requiring, by virtue of Article X of this Declaration, approval of the Environmental Management Committee of the Association, unless such approval has been given.

Section 4. Encroachment Easement. If any structure erected or reconstructed by Declarant or by an Owner with the approval of the Environmental Management Committee shall encroach on the Lot of an adjoining Owner, the latter grants to such Owner an easement permitting the persistence of such encroachment in compliance with Article VIII. In addition, an overhang easement is granted to any Owner whose eaves, gutters or similar items overhang a reasonable distance or abut the Lot of another Owner in compliance with Article VIII.

Section 5. Drainage Easement. Each Owner covenants to provide such easements for drainage and waterflow as the contours of the land and the arrangement of improvements thereon requires.

Section 6. Easement to Accouterment. Declarant in constructing single-family residences and associated accouterments on the Lots may place certain portions of such residences and accouterments consisting of (but not limited to) air conditioning equipment, fences, walls, pipes, walkways, driveways, and patios on the Common Areas. Declarant and each Owner, if the proposal is approved by the Environmental Management Committee, hereby reserves the right and easement to place such items on the Common Areas. Further, the subsequent Owner of any Lot on which such item is a part is granted an easement for the purpose of traversing the Common Areas in order to effectuate repairs thereto and make replacements thereof, such easement not existing, however, if the purpose for such traversing is one requiring by virtue of Article X of this Declaration, approval of the Environmental Management Committee of the Association, unless such approval has been given.

Section 7. Utility Easement. An easement of ingress and egress is hereby granted on all Lots and the Common Areas in favor of any utility company for the purpose of the repair, construction and maintenance of all utility lines; provided, however, no new utility line may be constructed or no existing utility line may be relocated without the approval of the Environmental Management Committee.

Section 8. Construction Easement. Any easement granted to an Owner to construct a driveway and driveway apron shall be constructed and maintained at the sole expense of the Owner. Should the Owner fail to maintain the easement in accordance with standards prescribed by the Environmental Management Committee, the Association may maintain any driveway and secure repayment by Special Assessment of the Owner.

Section 9. Blanket Easement. An easement is hereby retained in favor of Declarant and the Association over the Lots and the Common Areas for the construction of a common cable television system, a common sprinkler, or any other item for the common benefit of the Owners. An easement is further granted for the purpose of the repair and maintenance of any item so constructed. An entry upon any Lot or the Common Areas to effectuate the foregoing purposes shall not be deemed trespass. Each Owner covenants not to damage or destroy

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any portion of an item so constructed and shall hold the Association and/or Declarant harmless for the cost of repairing or replacing any portion damaged or destroyed by such Owner, his family, his guests or invitees.

ARTICLE XII

DEVIATIONS

The Association may grant approval for deviations from the restrictions provided in Article VIII. Such approval shall require the affirmative vote of holders of two-thirds (2/3) of the Memberships of each class voting at a meeting duly called for this purpose, written notice of which shall be delivered to all Members not less than seven (7) days nor more than fifty (50) days before the date of the meeting, setting forth the purposes of the meeting, and shall comply with City ordinances.

ARTICLE XIII

SALE OF LOTS

Section 1. Transmittal of Offer and Association's Option. If any Owner of a Lot (other than Declarant) wishes to sell or lease the same and receives a bona fide offer for purchase or lease of his Lot which such Owner deems acceptable, such fact shall be transmitted in writing to the Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Association and to Declarant together with a copy of such offer (which must be a written offer) and the terms thereof. The Owner shall also transmit an affidavit executed by such Owner and duly notarized, attesting that such offer has been made and the offeror, to the best of such Owner's knowledge, is acting in good faith. The Association or Declarant shall have the right to purchase or lease the Lot on the terms and conditions specified in the offer. Such right is assignable, but in all cases is exercisable only within ten (10) days of the receipt of the written notice from the Owner by written notice to the Owner and the deposit of a matching down payment or deposit. If the Association and Declarant shall both exercise such option, only Declarant may consummate the proposed sale unless the Declarant shall waive such right in writing. In the event the Association or Declarant fails to exercise its option within such ten (10) day period, such Owner shall have the right to sell or lease his Lot to the person making such offer and on the terms and conditions therein set forth.

Section 2. Application to Lease; Continuing Liability. Any lease or sublease shall be subject to the provision hereof. The liability of the Owner under this Article continues notwithstanding the fact he may have leased his Lot.

Section 3. Mortgages. This Article shall not affect the right of an Owner to subject his Lot to a deed of trust, mortgage or other security interest.

Section 4. Waiver. The failure or refusal of the Association, the Declarant or the party to whom either's rights under this Article have been assigned to exercise its right to so purchase or lease shall not be deemed a waiver of such right when an Owner receives any subsequent bona fide offer from a prospective purchaser or tenant.

ARTICLE XIV

GENERAL PROVISIONS

Section 1. Enforcement. The restrictions herein set forth shall run with the land and bind the present Owner except as otherwise provided, its

successors and assigns, and all parties claiming by, through or under it, shall be taken to hold, agree and covenant with the owner of said land, its or their heirs, personal representatives, successors and assigns, and with each of them, to conform to and observe said restrictions as to the use of said Lots and construction of improvements thereon. No action for enforcement of these covenants may be commenced until the procedure specified in Article IX, Section 2 or Section 3, as appropriate, has been completed. Failure of any Owner or Owners or the Association to enforce any of the restrictions herein set forth shall in no event be deemed a waiver of the right to do so or to enforce other restrictions. Community Building Lot deeds shall contain special provisions for participation in the Association. Notwithstanding any provision of this Declaration to the contrary, the special provision in the Community Building Lot deeds shall prevail.

Section 2. Invalidation. The invalidation of any of the covenants or restrictions set forth herein by judgment or court order shall in no wise affect any other provisions which shall remain in full force and effect.

Section 3. Right to Assign. The Declarant may, by appropriate instrument, assign or convey to any Person any or all of the rights, reservations, easements, and privileges herein reserved by the Declarant, and upon such assignment or conveyance being made, its assigns or grantees may, at their option, exercise, transfer or assign such rights, reservations, easements, and privileges or any one or more of them at any time or times in the same way and manner as those directly reserved by them or it in the instrument.

Section 4. Duration and Amendment. All of the restrictions set forth herein shall continue and be binding for a period of twenty-five (25) years from the date of this instrument and shall automatically be extended thereafter for successive periods of ten (10) years; provided, however, that the Owners of three-fourths (3/4) of the Lots may, at the end of such twenty-five (25) year term or at the end of any successive ten (10) year period thereafter, by a written instrument signed by all of such Persons, vacate or modify all or any part of this Declaration.

During the initial twenty-five (25) year period a vacation or modification hereof shall be effective if a written instrument be signed by ninety percent (90%) of the Owners of the Lots. Any such vacation or modification shall be filed of record in the Travis County Deed Records promptly when executed. In order for any such amendment to be effective as to holders of any lien on any Lot, such amendment must be executed by at least fifty percent (50%) of all holders of liens of the type specified in Article V, Section 8.

Section 5. Notices. All notices given or required to be given by the Association to its Members shall be deemed to have actually been given if actually received and, whether or not actually received, when deposited in the United States Mail, postage prepaid, and addressed to the Member at his address as it appears on the books of the Association, and shall be deemed given when mailed.

Section 6. FHA/VA Provisions. If Declarant shall decide that the Lots should have available permanent loans insured by the Federal Housing Administration or guaranteed by the Veterans Administration, the following



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provisions apply, notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary.

(a) As long as there is a Class B membership, the following actions will require the prior approval of the Federal Housing Administration or the Veterans Administration: Annexation of additional properties, dedication of Common Area, and amendment of this Declaration.

EXECUTED this 25<sup>TH</sup> day of JUNE, 1979.

(NO SEAL)

MEADOW MOUNTAIN CORPORATION

BY: [Signature]  
L. M. HOLDER, III, PRESIDENT

THE STATE OF TEXAS §  
COUNTY OF TRAVIS §

BEFORE ME, the undersigned, a Notary Public in and for said County and State, on this day personally appeared L. M. Holder, III, President of Meadow Mountain Corporation, a corporation, known to me to be the person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instrument, and acknowledged to me that the same was the act of the said Meadow Mountain Corporation, a corporation, and he executed the same as the act of such corporation for the purposes and consideration therein expressed, and in the capacity therein stated.

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND AND SEAL OFFICE this the 25 day of June, 1979.

[Signature]  
Notary Public in and for Travis County, Texas

NOTARY SEAL

James E. Shaw  
My Commission Expires: 2-11-80

STATE OF TEXAS COUNTY OF TRAVIS  
I hereby certify that this instrument was FILED on the date and at the time stamped hereon by me; and was duly RECORDED, in the Volume and Page of the record of [unclear] of Travis County, Texas, as Stamped hereon by me, on

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TRAVIS COUNTY, TEXAS

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