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### AMENDMENTS TO DECLARATION OF COVENANTS, CONDITIONS, RESTRICTIONS AND EASEMENTS OF AVIAN FOREST, A SUBDIVISION IN SARPY COUNTY, NEBRASKA

THIS AMENDMENT to the Declaration of Covenants, Conditions, Restrictions and Easements of Avian Forest, A Subdivision in Sarpy County, Nebraska, dated September 2, 1997 and recorded in the Sarpy County Register of Deeds office on September 3, 1997, is made by AVIAN DEVELOPMENT COMPANY, L.L.C., a Nebraska limited liability company, hereinafter referred to as the "DECLARANT."

ARTICLE I, paragraph 1, shall be amended to read as follows:

1. Lots 1 through 4 and 14 through 53 shall be used exclusively for single-family residential purposes, and Lots 5 through 13 shall be used exclusively for single-family ranch villas with a townhome regime association, except for such Lots or parts thereof as may hereafter be conveyed or dedicated by Declarant or its successors or assigns, for use in connection with a Common Facility or park, or for other non-profit use.

# ARTICLE I, shall have an additional paragraph after paragraph 1, which shall read as follows:

1a. "Owner" of a Lot, as used herein, shall mean and refer to the record owner, whether one or more persons or entities, of fee simple title to a Lot, but excluding however those parties having an interest in any of such Lots merely as security for the

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performance of an obligation (such as contract seller, the Trustee or Beneficiary of a deed of trust, or a mortgagee). A purchase of a Lot under a land contract or similar instrument shall be deemed to be the Owner of the Lot for purposes of these Declarations.

#### ARTICLE I, paragraph 18 shall be amended to read as follows:

No residence shall be constructed on a Lot unless the entire Lot, as originally platted, is owned by an Owner, as defined herein, except of parts of two or more platted Lots have been combined into one Lot which is at least as wide as the narrowest Lot on the original plat, and is as large in area as the largest Lot in the original plat.

#### AN ARTICLE V shall be added and read as follows:

# ARTICLE V. TOWNHOME ASSOCIATION

- 1. The Association. Declarant has caused the incorporation of AVIAN FOREST TOWNHOME ASSOCIATION, a Nebraska not for profit corporation (referred to in this Article as the "Association"). The Association has as its purpose the promotion of the health, safety, recreation, welfare and enjoyment of the residents of Avian Forest, including:
  - (a) The acquisition, construction, landscaping, improvement, equipment, maintenance, operation, repair, upkeep and replacement of Common Facilities for the general use, benefit and enjoyment of the Members and the maintenance and repair of the improvements to the Lots as set forth herein. Common Facilities may include recreational facilities such as swimming pools, tennis courts, roads, paths, ways and green areas; signs and entrances for Avian Forest; and Outlot "A", Avian Forest. Common Facilities may be situated on property owned or leased by the Association, or on dedicated property or property subject to easements accepted by and benefiting the Association, or on public property, or on property dedicated to a Sanitary Improvement District.
  - (b) The promulgation, enactment, amendment and enforcement of rules and regulations relating to the use and enjoyment of any Common Facilities, provided always that such rules are uniformly applicable to all Members. The rules and regulations may permit or restrict use of the Common Facilities by Members, their families, their guests, and/or by other persons, who may be required to pay a fee or other charge in connection with the use or enjoyment of the Common Facility.
  - (c) The exercise, promotion, enhancement and protection of the privileges and interests of the residents of Avian Forest; and the protection and maintenance of the residential character of Avian Forest.

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2. Membership and Voting. Avian Forest Townhome Association is divided into nine (9) separate lots consisting of Lots 5 through 13 (referred to as the "Lots"). The "Owner of each Lot shall be a Member of this Association, and by the filing of these Amended Covenants, said Owners shall not be mandatory Members of the Avian Forest Homeowners Association, as set forth in the original Declaration of Covenants, referenced herein under Article II. For purposes of this Declaration, the term "Owner" of a Lot means and refers to the record owner, whether one or more persons or entities, of fee simple title to a Lot, but excluding however those parties having any interest in any of such Lot merely as security for the performance of an obligation (such as a contract seller, the trustee or beneficiary of a deed of trust, or a mortgagee). The purchaser of a Lot under a land contract or similar instrument shall be considered to be the "Owner" of the Lot for purposes of this Declaration. Membership shall be appurtenant to ownership of each Lot, and may not be separated from ownership of each Lot.

The Owner of each Lot, whether one or more persons and entities, shall be entitled to one (1) vote on each matter property coming before the Members of the Association.

3. Additional Lots. Declarant reserves the right, without consent or approval of any Owner or Member, to expand the property to which this Declaration is applicable to include additional residential lots in any subdivision which is contiguous to any of the Lots. Such expansion may be affected from time to time by the Declarant by recordation with the Register of Deeds of Sarpy County, Nebraska, of an Amendment of Declaration, executed and acknowledged by Declarant, setting forth the identity of the additional residential lots which shall become subject to this Declaration.

Upon the filing of any Amendment to Declaration which expands the property subject to this Declaration, the additional residential lots identified in the Amendment shall be considered to be and shall be included in the "Lots" for all purposes under this Declaration, and the Owners of the additional residential lots shall be Members of the Avian Forest Homeowners Association with all rights, privileges and obligations accorded or accruing to Members of the Association.

- 4. <u>Purposes and Responsibilities</u>. The Association shall have the powers conferred upon not for profit corporations by the Nebraska Nonprofit Corporation Act, and all powers and duties necessary and appropriate to accomplish the Purposes and administer the affairs of the Association. The powers and duties to be exercised by the Board of Directors, and upon authorization of the Board of Directors by the Officers, shall include but shall not be limited to the following:
  - (a) The acquisition, development, maintenance, repair, replacement, operation and administration of Common Facilities, and the enforcement of the rules and regulations relating to the Common Facilities.



- (b) The landscaping, mowing, watering, repair and replacement of parks and other public property and improvements on parks or public property within or near Avian Forest.
- (c) The fixing, levying, collecting, abatement, and enforcement of all charges, dues, or assessments made pursuant to the terms of this Declaration.
- (d) The expenditure, commitment and payment of Association funds to accomplish the purposes of the Association including, but not limited to, payment for purchase of insurance covering any Common Facility or any improvement to a Lot against property damage and casualty, and purchase of liability insurance coverages for the Association, the Board of Directors of the Association and the Members.
- (e) The exercise of all of the powers and privileges, and the performance of all of the duties and obligations of the Association as set forth in this Declaration, as the same may be amended from time to time.
- (f) The acquisition by purchase or otherwise, holding, or disposition of any right, title or interest in real or personal property, wherever located, in connection with the affairs of the Association.
- (g) The deposit, investment and reinvestment of Association funds in bank accounts, securities, money market funds or accounts, mutual funds, pooled funds, certificates of deposit or the like.
- (h) The employment of professionals and consultants to advise and assist the Officers and Board of Directors of the Association in the performance of their duties and responsibilities for the Association.
- (i) General administration and management of the Association in the performance of their duties and responsibilities for the Association.
- (j) The doing and performing of such acts, and the execution of such instruments and documents, as may be necessary or appropriate to accomplish the purposes of the Association.
- 5. <u>Mandatory Duties of Association</u>. The Association shall maintain and repair the common facilities and shall be solely responsible to employ and hire companies to perform the following outdoor maintenance: (1) snow removal from Association walks and drives; (2) mowing of front, back and side of each lot; (3) removal of all grass, leaves and yard waste; and (4) all other exterior maintenance necessary to ensure uniformity and quality of the outdoor appearance of the townhome regime. Further, the Association may work and cooperate with the Avian Forest Homeowners Association, as deemed necessary and reasonable, to maintain the fence, signs and

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landscaping which have been installed in easement areas and center islands and that benefit this Association.

- 6. <u>Imposition of Dues and Assessments</u>. The Association may fix, levy and charge the Owner of each Lot with dues and assessments (herein referred to respectively as "dues and assessments") under the following provisions of this Declaration. Except as otherwise specifically provided, the dues and assessments shall be fixed by the Board of Directors of the Association and shall be payable at the times and in the manner prescribed by the Board.
- 7. <u>Abatement of Dues and Assessments</u>. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Declaration, the Board of directors may abate all or part of the dues or assessments due in respect of any Lot, and shall abate all dues and assessments due in respect of any Lot during the period such Lot is owned by the Declarant.
- 8. <u>Liens and Personal Obligations for Dues and Assessments</u>. The assessments and dues, together with interest thereon, costs and reasonable attorneys' fees, shall be the personal obligation of the Owner of each Lot at the time when the dues or assessments first become due and payable. The dues and assessments, together with interest thereon, costs and reasonable attorneys' fees, shall also be a charge and continuing lien upon the Lot in respect of which the dues and assessments are charged. The personal obligation for delinquent assessments shall not pass to the successor in title to the Owner at the time the dues and assessments a become delinquent unless such dues and assessments are expressly assumed by the successors, but all successors shall take title subject to the lien for such dues and assessments, and shall be bound to inquire of the Association as to the amount of any unpaid assessments or dues.
- 9. <u>Purpose of Dues</u>. The dues collected by the Association may be committed and expended to accomplish the purposes of the Association described in Section 1 of this Article, and to perform the Powers and Responsibilities of the Association described in Sections 3, 4 and 5 of this Article.
- 10. Assessments for Extraordinary Costs. In addition to the dues, the Board of Directors may levy an assessment or assessments for the purpose of defraying, in whole or in part, the costs of any acquisition, construction, reconstruction, repair, painting, maintenance, improvement, or replacement of any Common Facility, including fixtures and personal property related thereto, and related facilities. The aggregate assessments in each calendar year shall be limited in amount to Two Hundred and No/100 Dollars (\$200.00) per Lot.
- 11. <u>Excess Dues and Assessments</u>. With the approval of seventy-five percent of the Members of the Association, the Board of Directors may establish dues and/or assessments in excess of the maximums established in this Declaration.

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- 12. <u>Uniform Rate of Assessment</u>. Assessments and dues shall be fixed at a uniform rate as to all Lots, but dues may be abated as to individual Lots, as provided in Section 7, above.
- 13. <u>Certificate as to Dues and Assessments</u>. The Association shall, upon written request and for a reasonable charge, furnish a certificate signed by an officer of the Association setting forth whether the dues and assessments on a specified Lot have been paid to the date of request, the amount of any delinquent sums, and the due date and amount of the next succeeding dues, assessment or installment thereof. The dues and assessment shall be and become a lien as of the date such amounts first become due and payable.
- 14. Effect of Nonpayment of Assessment; Remedies of the Association. Any assessment not paid within thirty (30) days after the due date shall be deemed delinquent and shall bear interest at the maximum legal rate allowable by law in the State of Nebraska, which at the time of the execution of these Declarations, is sixteen percent (16%) per annum. Should any assessment remain unpaid more than sixty (60) days after the due date, the Association may declare the entire unpaid portion of said assessment for said year to be immediately due and payable and thereafter delinquent. The Association may bring an action at law against the Owner personally obligated to pay the same, or may foreclose the lien of such assessment against the property through proceedings in any Court having jurisdiction of actions for the enforcement of such liens. No Owner may waive or otherwise escape liability for the assessments provided herein by abandonment or title transfer of such Owner's Lot.
- 15. <u>Subordination of the Lien to Mortgages</u>. The lien on the assessments provided for herein shall be subordinate to the lien of any first mortgage, first deed of trust, or other initial purchase money security device, and the holder of any first mortgage, first deed of trust, or other initial purchase money security device, on any Lot may rely on this provision without the necessity of the execution of any further subordination agreement by the Association. Sale or transfer of any Lot shall not affect the status or priority of the lien for assessments made as provided herein. The Association, if authorized by its Board of Directors, may release the lien of any delinquent assessments on any Lot as to which the first mortgage, first deed of trust or initial purchase money security device thereon is in default, if such Board of Directors determines that such lien has no value to the Association. No mortgagee shall be required to collect any assessments due. The Association shall have the sole responsibility to collect all assessments due.
- 16. <u>Abatement of Dues and Assessments</u>. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Declaration, the Board of Directors may abate all or part of the dues or assessments due in respect of any Lot during the period such Lot is owned by the Declarant.

All other provisions of the Declarations as set forth in the document filed on September 3, 1997, shall remain the same and unchanged.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Declarant has caused this Amendment to the Declaration of Covenants, Conditions, Restrictions and Easements of Avian Forest, A Subdivision in Sarpy County, Nebraska, to be executed this 15th day of April, 1998.

AVIAN DEVELOPMENT COMPANY, L.L.C., a Nebraska Limited Liability Company, Declarant

BY: Johnne Shanled TITLE: Managing Mean ber

STATE OF NEBRASKA ) )ss COUNTY OF DOUGLAS )

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this 7th day of November, 1900 by Joanne Sharples, of Avian Development Company, L.L.C., a Nebraska limited liability company.

GENERAL NOTARY-State of Nebraska
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#### **EASEMENT AND RIGHT-OF-WAY**

THIS INDENTURE, made this 3d day of \_\_ March between AVIAN DEVELOPMENT CO., L.L.C., a Nebraska Limited Liability Corporation, ("Grantor"), and METROPOLITAN UTILITIES DISTRICT OF OMAHA, a Municipal Corporation, ("Grantee"),

#### WITNESS:

That Grantor, in consideration of the sum of Two Dollars (\$2.00) and other valuable consideration, receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, does hereby grant to Metropolitan Utilities District of Omaha, its successors and assigns, an easement and right-of-way to lay, maintain, operate, repair, relay and remove, at any time, pipelines for the transportation of water and all appurtenances thereto, including but not limited to one 24-inch round iron vault lid, together with the right of ingress and egress on, over, under and through lands described as follows:

#### PERMANENT EASEMENT

A tract in Avian Forest Replat 1, a subdivision as surveyed, platted and recorded in Sarpy County, Nebraska, and being described as follows:

The westerly fifteen feet (15') of Lot 8.

This permanent easement contains 0.067 of an acre, more or less, and is shown on the drawing attached hereto and made a part hereof by this reference.

TO HAVE AND TO HOLD this Easement and Right-of-Way to Grantee, Metropolitan Utilities District of Omaha, its successors and assigns.

- 1. The Grantor and its successors and assigns shall not at any time erect, construct or place on or below the surface of the easement tract any building or structure, except pavement and shall not permit anyone else to do so.
- 2. The Grantee shall restore the surface of any soil excavated for any purpose hereunder, as nearly as is reasonably possible to its original contour within a reasonable time after the work is performed.
- 3. Nothing herein shall be construed to waive any right of Grantor or duty and power of Grantee respecting the ownership, use, operations, extensions and connections to any pipeline constructed and maintained hereunder.
- 4. The Grantor is a lawful possessor of this real estate; has good, right, and lawful authority to make such conveyance; and Grantor and its executors, administrators, successors and assigns shall warrant and defend this conveyance and shall indemnify and hold harmless Grantee forever against

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claims of all persons asserting any right, title or interest prior to or contrary to this conveyance.

5. The person executing this instrument represents that he has authority to execute it on behalf of the limited liability corporation.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, Grantor executes this Easement and Right-of-Way to be signed on the above date.

> Avian Development Co., L.L.C., a Nebraska Limited Liability Corporation, Grantor

Paul Sharples, Manager, on behalf of Avian Development Co., L.L.C., a Nebraska Limited Liability Corporation

#### **ACKNOWLEDGMENT**

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This instrument was acknowledged before me on \_\_\_\_\_Mc\_ch\_\_3\_\_\_\_1997, by Paul Sharples, Manager, Avian Development Co., L.L.C., a Nebraska Limited Liability Corporation, on behalf of the limited liability corporation.

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# DECLARATION OF COVENANTS, CONDITIONS, RESTRICTIONS AND EASEMENTS OF AVIAN FOREST, A SUBDIVISION IN SARPY COUNTY, NEBRASKA

THIS DECLARATION, made on the date hereinafter set forth, is made by AVIAN DEVELOPMENT COMPANY, L.L.C., a Nebraska limited liability company, hereinafter referred to as the "Declarant".

#### PRELIMINARY STATEMENT

The Declarant is the owner of certain real property located within Sarpy County, Nebraska and described as follows:

Lots 1 through 53, inclusive, in Avian Forest, a Subdivision, as surveyed, platted and recorded in Sarpy County, Nebraska.

Such lots are herein referred to collectively as the "Lots" and individually as each "Lot".

The Declarant desires to provide for the preservation of the values and amenities of Avian Forest, for the maintenance of the character and residential integrity of Avian Forest, and for the acquisition, construction and maintenance of Common Facilities for the use and enjoyment of the residents of Avian Forest.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Declarant hereby declares that each and all of the Lots shall be held, sold and conveyed subject to the following restrictions, covenants, conditions and easements, all of which are for the purpose of enhancing and protecting the value, desirability and attractiveness of the Lots, and the enjoyment of the residents of the Lots. These restrictions, covenants, conditions and easements shall run with such Lots and shall be binding upon all parties having or acquiring any right, title or interest in each Lot, or any part thereof, as is more fully described herein. The Lots, and each Lot is and shall be subject to all and each of the following conditions and other terms:

# ARTICLE I. RESTRICTIONS AND COVENANTS

- 1. Each Lot shall be used exclusively for single-family residential purposes, except for such Lots or parts thereof as may hereafter be conveyed or dedicated by Declarant, or its successors or assigns, for use in connection with a Common Facility or park, or for other non-profit use.
- 2. No residence, building, fence, wall, driveway, patio, patio enclosure, swimming pool, pool house, basketball backboards, dog house, tree house, antenna, satellite receiving station, dishes or "discs", flag pole, solar heating or cooling device, tool shed, outdoor lighting, wind mill or other external improvement, above or below the ground (herein all referred to as any

"Improvement") shall be constructed, erected, placed or permitted to remain on any Lot, nor shall any grading or excavation for any Improvement be commenced, except for Improvements which have been approved by Declarant as follows:

- (a) An Owner desiring to erect an Improvement on any Lot shall deliver two sets of construction plans, landscaping plans and plot plans to Declarant (herein collectively referred to as the "plans"). Such plans shall include a description type, quality, color and use of materials proposed for the exterior of such Improvement. Concurrent with submission of the plans, Owner shall notify the Declarant of the Owner's mailing address.
- (b) Declarant shall review such plans in light of the conditions and restrictions in Article I of this Declaration and in relation to the type and exterior of improvements which have been constructed, or approved for construction, on the Lots. In this regard, Declarant intends that the Lots shall be developed as a residential community with homes constructed of high quality materials. The decision to approve or refuse approval of a proposed Improvement shall be exercised by Declarant in a reasonable manner to promote conformity and harmony of the external design of the improvements constructed within the Avian Forest subdivision and to protect the value, character and residential quality of all Lots in a manner consistent with this Declaration. If Declarant determines that the external design and location of the proposed Improvement does not conform with the standards or requirements of this Declaration, does not conform with the surrounding improvements and topography or will not protect and enhance the integrity and character of all the Lots and neighboring lots, if any, as a quality residential community, Declarant may refuse approval of the proposed Improvement.
- (c) Written Notice of any approval of a proposed Improvement shall be mailed to the owner at the address specified by the owner upon submission of the plans. Such notice shall be mailed, if at all, within thirty (30) days after the date of submission of the plans. If notice of approval is not mailed within such period, the proposed Improvement shall be deemed disapproved by Declarant.
- (d) No Lot owner, or combination of Lot owners, or other person or persons shall have any right to any action by Declarant, or to control, direct or influence the acts of the Declarant with respect to the approval or disapproval of any proposed Improvement. No responsibility, liability or obligation shall be assumed by or imposed upon Declarant by virtue of the authority granted to Declarant in this Section, or as a result of any act or failure to act by Declarant with respect to any proposed Improvement.
- 3. No single-family residence shall be created, altered, placed or permitted to remain on any Lot other than one (1) single-family residential structure. Residences on all lots shall have a minimum set back of twenty-five (25) feet or set backs as approved by Declarant. All Improvements on the Lots shall comply with all other set-back requirements of the Zoning Code of the City of Bellevue, Nebraska.
- 4. The exposed front foundation walls and any exposed foundation walls facing any street must be constructed of or faced with brick or other material approved by Declarant. All exposed side and rear concrete or concrete block foundation walls not facing a street must be painted. All driveways must be constructed of concrete, or other approved material. All foundations shall be constructed of concrete, concrete blocks, brick or stone. Fireplace chimneys shall be covered with brick, wood or other material approved in writing by Declarant. The roof of all Improvements shall be covered with shingles of a uniform style, identical in color, with the look of weathered wood. The initial

composition shall be of a format currently identified as "Tamko Heritage II." This provision shall be strictly enforced by the Declarant.

- shall be erected, placed or permitted to remain on any Lot except one sign per Lot consisting of not more than six (6) square feet advertising a lot as "For sale"; nor shall the premises be used in any way for any purpose which may endanger the health or unreasonably disturb the owner or owners of any Lot or any resident thereof. Further, no business activities of any kind whatsoever shall be conducted on any Lot. Provided, however, the foregoing paragraph shall not apply to the business activities, signs and billboards or the construction and maintenance of buildings, if any, by Declarant, their agents or assigns, during the construction and sale of the Lots.
- 6. No exterior television or radio antenna or dish of any type shall be permitted on any Lot. Notwithstanding the foregoing, an antenna or dish that is designed to receive over-the-air video programming signals, that does not exceed one meter in diameter, and that is attached directly to the residence, may be permitted provided that the location and size of the proposed antenna or dish is first approved by the Declarant, or its assigns. No treehouses, tool sheds, dollhouses, windmills, or similar structure shall be permitted on any Lot.
- 7. No repair of any boats, automobiles, motorcycles, trucks, campers or similar vehicles requiring a continuous time period in excess of forty-eight (48) hours shall be permitted on any Lot at any time; nor shall vehicles offensive to the neighborhood be visibly stored, parked or abandoned on any Lot. No unused building material, junk or rubbish shall be left exposed on the Lot except during actual building operations, and then only in as neat and inconspicuous a manner as possible.
- 8. No boat, camper, trailer, auto-drawn or mounted trailer of any kind, mobile home, truck, aircraft, camper truck or similar chattel shall be maintained or stored on any part of a Lot (other than in an enclosed structure) for more than twenty (20) days within a calendar year. No motor vehicle may be parked or stored outside on any Lot, except vehicles driven on a regular basis by the occupants of the dwelling located on such Lot. No grading or excavating equipment, tractors or semitractors/trailers shall be stored, parked, kept or maintained in any yards, driveways or streets. However, this Section 8 shall not apply to trucks, tractors or commercial vehicles which are necessary for the construction of residential dwellings or other Improvements during the period of construction. All residential Lots shall provide at least the minimum number of street parking areas or spaces for private passenger vehicles required by the applicable zoning ordinances of the City of Bellevue, Nebraska.
- 9. No incinerator, trash burner shall be permitted on any Lot. No garbage or trash can or container shall be permitted outside of any dwelling at any time, except for pickup purposes and not in excess of eight (8) consecutive hours. No garden, lawn or maintenance equipment of any kind whatsoever shall be stored or permitted to remain outside of any dwelling or suitable storage facility, except when in actual use. No garbage, refuge, rubbish or cutting shall be deposited on any street, road or Lot. No clothes line shall be permitted outside of any dwelling at any time.
- 10. Exterior lighting installed on any Lot shall either be indirect or of such a controlled focus and intensity as not to disturb the residents of adjacent Lots.
- 11. No fences shall be permitted to extend beyond the middle line of a main residential structure unless written approval is first obtained from Declarant. No hedge or mass planted shrubs shall be permitted more than ten (10) feet in front of the front building line. No fences or walls shall exceed a height of six (6) feet. All produce or vegetable gardens shall be maintained only in rear yards. All Lots shall be fully sodded at the time of completion of the Improvements.

- 12. No swimming pool may extend more than one foot above ground level, except as otherwise approved by Declarant.
- 13. Construction of any Improvement shall be completed within one (1) year from the date of commencement of excavation or construction of the Improvement. No excavation dirt shall be spread across any Lot in such a fashion as to materially change the contour of any Lot.
- 14. A public sidewalk shall be constructed of concrete four (4) feet wide by four (4) inches thick in front of each Lot and upon each street side of each corner Lot. The sidewalk shall be placed five (5) feet back of the street curb line and shall be constructed by the owner of the Lot prior to the time of completion of the main structure and before occupancy thereof; provided, however, this provision shall vary to comply with any requirements of the City of Bellevie.
- 15. Driveway approaches between the sidewalk and curb on each Lot shall be constructed of concrete. Should repair or replacement of such approach be necessary, the repair or replacement shall also be of concrete. No asphalt overlay of driveway approaches will be permitted.
- 16. No stable or other shelter for any animal, livestock, fowl or poultry shall be erected, altered, placed or permitted to remain on any Lot, except for one dog house constructed for the maximum number of dogs permitted by the Zoning Code of the City of Bellevue, Nebraska which would not constitute a kennel; provided always that the construction plans, specifications and the location of the proposed structure have been first approved by Declarant, or its assigns, if required by this Declaration. Dog houses shall only be allowed adjacent to the rear of the building, concealed from public view. Dog runs or kennels may be constructed or installed on any Lot with the approval of the Declarant. No livestock or agricultural-type animals shall be allowed in Avian Forest subdivision, including pot-bellied pigs.
- 17. Any exterior air conditioning condenser unit shall be placed in the rear yard or any side yards so as not to be visible from public view. No grass, weeds or other vegetation will be grown or otherwise permitted to commence or continue, and no dangerous, diseased or otherwise objectionable shrubs or trees will be maintained on any Lot so as to constitute an actual or potential public nuisance, create a hazard or undesirable proliferation, or detract from a neat and trim appearance. Vacant Lots shall not be used for dumping of earth or any waste materials, and no vegetation on vacant Lots shall be allowed to reach a height in excess of twelve (12) inches.
- 18. No Residence shall be constructed on a Lot unless the entire Lot, as originally platted, is owned by one owner of such Lot, except if parts of two or more platted Lots have been combined into one Lot which is at least as wide as the narrowest Lot on the original plat, and is as large in area as the largest Lot in the original plat.
- 19. No structure of a temporary character, trailer, basement, tent, outbuilding or shack shall be erected upon or used on any Lot at any time, either temporarily or permanently. No structure or dwelling shall be moved from outside Avian Forest to any Lot without the written approval of Declarant.
- 20. All utility service lines from each lot line to a dwelling or other Improvement shall be underground.
- 21. Declarant hereby reserves unto itself the right to require the installation of siltation fences or erosion control devices and measures in such locations, configurations, and designs as it may determine appropriate in its sole and absolute discretion.

# ARTICLE II. HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION

- 1. The Association. Declarant has caused the incorporation of AVIAN FOREST HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, a Nebraska not for profit corporation (hereinafter referred to as the "Association"). The Association has as its purpose the promotion of the health, safety, recreation, welfare and enjoyment of the residents of Avian Forest, including:
  - (a) The acquisition, construction, landscaping, improvement, equipment, maintenance, operation, repair, upkeep and replacement of Common Facilities for the general use, benefit and enjoyment of the Members and the maintenance and repair of the improvements to the Lots as set forth herein. Common Facilities may include recreational facilities such as swimming pools, tennis courts, health facilities, playgrounds and parks; dedicated and nondedicated roads, paths, ways and green areas; signs and entrances for Avian Forest; and Outlot "A", Avian Forest. Common Facilities may be situated on property owned or leased by the Association, or on dedicated property or property subject to easements accepted by and benefiting the Association, or on public property, or on property dedicated to a Sanitary Improvement District.
  - (b) The promulgation, enactment, amendment and enforcement of rules and regulations relating to the use and enjoyment of any Common Facilities, provided always that such rules are uniformly applicable to all Members. The rules and regulations may permit or restrict use of the Common Facilities by Members, their families, their guests, and/or by other persons, who may be required to pay a fee or other charge in connection with the use or enjoyment of the Common Facility.
  - (c) The exercise, promotion, enhancement and protection of the privileges and interests of the residents of Avian Forest; and the protection and maintenance of the residential character of Avian Forest.
- 2. <u>Membership and Voting</u>. Avian Forest is divided into fifty-three (53) separate lots (referred to as the "Lots"). The "Owner" of each Lot shall be a Member of this Association. For purposes of this Declaration, the term "Owner" of a Lot means and refers to the record owner, whether one or more persons or entities, of fee simple title to a Lot, but excluding however those parties having any interest in any of such Lot merely as security for the performance of an obligation (such as a contract seller, the trustee or beneficiary of a deed of trust, or a mortgagee). The purchaser of a Lot under a land contract or similar instrument shall be considered to be the "Owner" of the Lot for purposes of this Declaration. Membership shall be appurtenant to ownership of each Lot, and may not be separated from ownership of each Lot.

The Owner of each Lot, whether one or more persons and entities, shall be entitled to one (1) vote on each matter properly coming before the Members of the Association.

3. Additional Lots. Declarant reserves the right, without consent or approval of any Owner or Member, to expand the property to which this Declaration is applicable to include additional residential lots in any subdivision which is contiguous to any of the Lots. Such expansion may be affected from time to time by the Declarant by recordation with the Register of Deeds of Sarpy County, Nebraska, of an Amendment of Declaration, executed and acknowledged by Declarant, setting forth the identity of the additional residential lots which shall become subject to this Declaration.

Upon the filing of any Amendment to Declaration which expands the property subject to this Declaration, the additional residential lots identified in the Amendment shall be considered to be and shall be included in the "Lots" for all

purposes under this Declaration, and the Owners of the additional residential lots shall be Members of the Avian Forest Homeowners Association with all rights, privileges and obligations accorded or accruing to Members of the Association.

- 4. Purposes and Responsibilities. The Association shall have the powers conferred upon not for profit corporations by the Nebraska Nonprofit Corporation Act, and all powers and duties necessary and appropriate to accomplish the Purposes and administer the affairs of the Association. The powers and duties to be exercised by the Board of Directors, and upon authorization of the Board of Directors by the Officers, shall include but shall not be limited to the following:
  - (a) The acquisition, development, maintenance, repair, replacement, operation and administration of Common Facilities, and the enforcement of the rules and regulations relating to the Common Facilities
  - (b) The landscaping, mowing, watering, repair and replacement of parks and other public property and improvements on parks or public property within or near Avian Forest.
  - (c) The fixing, levying, collecting, abatement, and enforcement of all charges, dues, or assessments made pursuant to the terms of this Declaration.
  - (d) The expenditure, commitment and payment of Association funds to accomplish the purposes of the Association including, but not limited to, payment for purchase of insurance covering any Common Facility or any improvement to a Lot against property damage and casualty, and purchase of liability insurance coverages for the Association, the Board of Directors of the Association and the Members.
  - (e) The exercise of all of the powers and privileges, and the performance of all of the duties and obligations of the Association as set forth in this Declaration, as the same may be amended from time to time.
  - (f) The acquisition by purchase or otherwise, holding, or disposition of any right, title or interest in real or personal property, wherever located, in connection with the affairs of the Association.
  - (g) The deposit, investment and reinvestment of Association funds in bank accounts, securities, money market funds or accounts, mutual funds, pooled funds, certificates of deposit or the like.
  - (h) The employment of professionals and consultants to advise and assist the Officers and Board of Directors of the Association in the performance of their duties and responsibilities for the Association.
  - (i) General administration and management of the Association, and execution of such documents and doing and performance of such acts as may be necessary or appropriate to accomplish such administration or management.
  - (j) The doing and performing of such acts, and the execution of such instruments and documents, as may be necessary or appropriate to accomplish the purposes of the Association.
- 5. Mandatory Duties of Association. The Association shall maintain and repair the fence, signs and landscaping which have been installed in easement areas of the Avian Forest subdivision and center islands dividing dedicated roads, in generally good and neat condition.

- 6. <u>Imposition of Dues and Assessments</u>. The Association may fix, levy and charge the Owner of each Lot with dues and assessments (herein referred to respectively as "dues and assessments") under the following provisions of this Declaration. Except as otherwise specifically provided, the dues and assessments shall be fixed by the Board of Directors of the Association and shall be payable at the times and in the manner prescribed by the Board.
- 7. Abatement of Dues and Assessments. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Declaration, the Board of Directors may abate all or part of the dues or assessments due in respect of any Lot, and shall abate all dues and assessments due in respect of any Lot during the period such Lot is owned by the Declarant
- 8. Liens and Personal Obligations for Dues and Assessments. The assessments and dues, together with interest thereon, costs and reasonable attorneys' fees, shall be the personal obligation of the Owner of each Lot at the time when the dues or assessments first become due and payable. The dues and assessments, together with interest thereon, costs and reasonable attorneys' fees, shall also be a charge and continuing lien upon the Lot in respect of which the dues and assessments are charged. The personal obligation for delinquent assessments shall not pass to the successor in title to the Owner at the time the dues and assessments become delinquent unless such dues and assessments are expressly assumed by the successors, but all successors shall take title subject to the lien for such dues and assessments, and shall be bound to inquire of the Association as to the amount of any unpaid assessments or dues.
- 9. <u>Purpose of Dues</u>. The dues collected by the Association may be committed and expended to accomplish the purposes of the Association described in Section 1 of this Article, and to perform the Powers and Responsibilities of the Association described in Sections 3 and 4 of this Article.
- 10. <u>Maximum Annual Dues</u>. Unless excess dues have been authorized by the Members in accordance with Section 11, below, the aggregate dues which may become due and payable in any year shall not exceed the greater of:
  - A. One Hundred Twenty-Five and no/100 Dollars (\$125.00) per Lot.
  - B. In each calendar year beginning on January 1, 1999, one hundred twenty-five percent (125%) of the aggregate dues charged in the previous calendar year.
- 11. Assessments for Extraordinary Costs. In addition to the dues, the Board of Directors may levy an assessment or assessments for the purpose of defraying, in whole or in part, the costs of any acquisition, construction, reconstruction, repair, painting, maintenance, improvement, or replacement of any Common Facility, including fixtures and personal property related thereto, and related facilities. The aggregate assessments in each calendar year shall be limited in amount to Two Hundred and no/100 Dollars (\$200.00) per Lot.
- 12. Excess Dues and Assessments. With the approval of seventy-five percent of the Members of the Association, the Board of Directors may establish dues and/or assessments in excess of the maximums established in this Declaration.
- 13. <u>Uniform Rate of Assessment</u>. Assessments and dues shall be fixed at a uniform rate as to all Lots, but dues may be abated as to individual Lots, as provided in Section 5, above.
- 14. <u>Certificate as to Dues and Assessments</u>. The Association shall, upon written request and for a reasonable charge, furnish a certificate signed by an officer of the Association setting forth whether the dues and assessments on a specified Lot have been paid to the date of request, the amount of any delinquent sums, and the due date and amount of the next succeeding dues, assessment or

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installment thereof. The dues and assessment shall be and become a lien as of the data such amounts first become due and payable.

- 15. Effect of Nonpayment of Assessment; Remedies of the Association. Any assessment not paid within thirty (30) days after the due date shall be deemed delinquent an shall bear interest at the maximum legal rate allowable by law in the State of Nebraska, which at the time of the execution of these Declarations, is sixteen percent (16%) per annum. Should any assessment remain unpaid more than sixty (60) days after the due date, the Association may declare the entire unpaid portion of said assessment for said year to be immediately due and payable and thereafter delinquent. The Association may bring an action at law against the Owner personally obligated to pay the same, or may foreclose the lien of such assessment against the property through proceedings in any Court having jurisdiction of actions for the enforcement of such liens. No Owner may waive or otherwise escape liability for the assessments provided herein by abandonment or title transfer of such Owner's Lot.
- 16. Subordination of the Lien to Mortgages. The lien on the assessments provided for herein shall be subordinate to the lien of any first mortgage, first deed of trust, or other initial purchase money security device, and the holder of any first mortgage, first deed of trust, or other initial purchase money security device, on any Lot amy rely on this provision without the necessity of the execution of any further subordination agreement by the Association. Sale or transfer of any Lot shall not affect the status or priority of the lien for assessments made as provided herein. The Association, if authorized by its Board of Directors, may release the lien of any delinquent assessments on any Lot as to which the first mortgage, first deed of trust or initial purchase money security device thereon is in default, if such Board of Directors determines that such lien has no value to the Association. No mortgagee shall be required to collect any assessments due. The Association shall have the sole responsibility to collect all assessments due.
- 17. Abatement of Dues and Assessments. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Declaration, the Board of Directors may abate all or part of the dues or assessments due in respect of any Lot, and shall abate all dues and assessments due in respect of any Lot during the period such Lot is owned by the Declarant.

# ARTICLE III EASEMENTS

- 1. A perpetual license and easement is hereby reserved in favor of and granted to Omaha Public Power District, U S West telephone company, and any company which has been granted a franchise to provide a cable television system within the Lots, the City of Bellevue, Nebraska, the Metropolitan Utilities District, and Sanitary and Improvement District No. 178 of Sarpy County, Nebraska, their successors and assigns, to erect and operate, maintain, repair and renew buried or underground sewers, water and gas mains and cables, lines or conduits and other electric and telephone utility facilities for the carrying and transmission of electric current for light, heat and power and for all telephone and telegraph and message service and for the transmission of signals and sounds of all kinds including signals provided by a cable television system and the reception on, over, through, under and across a five (5) foot wide strip of land abutting the side boundary lines of the Lots; an eight (8) foot wide strip of land abutting the rear boundary lines of all interior Lots and all exterior lots that are adjacent to presently platted and recorded Lots; and a sixteen (16) foot wide strip of land abutting the rear boundary lines of all exterior Lots that are not adjacent to presently platted and recorded Lots. The term exterior Lots is herein defined as those Lots forming the outer perimeter of the Lots. The sixteen (16) foot wide easement will be reduced to an eight (8) foot wide strip when such adjacent land is surveyed, platted and recorded.
- 2. A perpetual easement is further reserved for the City of Bellevue and/or Metropolitan Utilities District of Omaha, their successors and assigns to

erect, install, operate, maintain, repair and renew pipelines, hydrants and other related facilities, and to extend thereon pipes, hydrants and other related facilities and to extend therein pipes for the transmission of gas and water on, through, under and across a five (5) foot wide strip of land abutting all cul-describes this license being granted for the use and benefit of all present and future owners of these Lots, provided, however, that such licenses and easements are granted upon the specific conditions that if any of such utility companies fail to construct such facilities along any of such Lot lines within thirty-six (36) months of date hereof, or if any such facilities are constructed but are thereafter removed without replacement within sixty (60) days after their removal, then such easement shall automatically terminate and become void as to such unused or abandoned easementways. No permanent buildings, trees, retaining walls or loose rock walls shall be placed in the easementways but same may be used for gardens, shrubs, landscaping and other purposes that do not then or later interfere with the aforementioned uses or rights granted herein.

3. In the event that ninety percent (90%) of all Lots within the subdivision are not improved within five (5) years after the date on which Northwestern Bell Telephone Company files notice that it has completed installation of telephone lines to the Lots in the subdivision (herein the "Subdivision Improvement Date"), then Northwestern Bell Telephone Company may impose a connection charge on each unimproved Lot in the amount of Four Hundred Fifty and no/100 Dollars (\$450.00). A Lot shall be considered as unimproved if construction of a permanent structure has not commenced on a Lot. Construction shall be considered as having commenced if a footing inspection has been requested on the Lot in question by officials of the City or other appropriate governmental authority.

Should such charge be implemented by Northwestern Bell Telephone Company and remain unpaid, then such charge may draw interest at the rate of twelve percent (12%) per annum commencing after the expiration of sixty (60) days from the time all of the following events shall have occurred: (1) the Subdivision Improvement Date, and (2) Northwestern Bell Telephone Company sends each owner of record a written statement or billing for Four Hundred Fifty and no/100 Dollars (\$450.00) for each unimproved Lot.

4. Other easements are provided for in the final plat of Avian Forest which is filed in the Register of Deeds of Sarpy County, Nebraska (Instrument No. 96-25967).

## ARTICLE IV. GENERAL PROVISIONS

- 1. Except for the authority and powers specifically granted to the Declarant, the Declarant or any owner of a Lot named herein shall have the right to enforce by a proceeding at law or in equity, all reservations, restrictions, conditions and covenants now or hereinafter imposed by the provisions of this Declaration either to prevent or restrain any violation or to recover damages or other dues of such violation. Failure by the Declarant or by any owner to enforce any covenant or restriction herein contained shall in no event be deemed a waiver of the right to do so thereafter.
- 2. The covenants and restrictions of this Declaration shall run with and bind the land for a term of thirty (30) years from the date this Declaration is recorded. This Declaration may be amended by Declarant, or any person, firm, corporation, partnership, or entity designated in writing by Declarant, in any manner which it may determine in its full and absolute discretion for a period of five (5) years from the date hereof. Thereafter this Declaration may be amended by an instrument signed by the owners of not less than seventy-five percent (75%) of the Lots covered by this Declaration.
- 3. Declarant, or its successor or assign, may terminate its status as Declarant under this Declaration, at any time, by filing a Notice of Termination of Status as Declarant. Upon such filing, Association may appoint itself or

another entity, association or individual to serve as Declarant, and such appointee shall thereafter serve as Declarant with the same authority and powers as the original Declarant.

4. Invalidation of any covenant by judgment or court order shall in no way affect any of the other provisions hereof, which shall remain in full force and effect.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Declarant has caused these presents to be executed this <u>dwD</u> day of <u>September</u>, 1997.

AVIAN DEVELOPMENT COMPANY, L.L.C., a Nebraska Limited Liability Company "Declarant"

and Sharple Manager

STATE OF NEBRASKA )

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COUNTY OF DOUGLAS

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this AND day of SMETCH. 1997, by PAUL SHARPLES, Manager of AYIAN DEVELOPMENT COMPANY, L.L.C., a Nebraska limited liability company, on behalf of the limited liability company.

A GENERAL NOTARY-State of Nebraska
KAREN T. RODIS
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#### **DECLARATION TO MAKE CONVEYANCE**

THIS DECLARATION to Make Conveyance, hereinafter "Declaration," made by JPS Enterprises, L.L.C., a Nebraska limited liability company, hereinafter "Declarant," wherein Declarant states and declares as follows:

- 1. Declarant is the developer (including as successor in interest to Avian Development Company, L.L.C.) of the subdivision known as Avian Forest, a Subdivision, as surveyed, platted and recorded in Sarpy County, Nebraska, which has been replatted as Avian Forest Replat I, an addition to the City of Bellevue, as surveyed, platted and recorded in Sarpy County, Nebraska, in which there are fifty-three (53) lots platted for development as single family residential lots or townhome lots (Said subdivision is herein referred to as "Subdivision").
- 2. Declarant is the owner of Outlot A in the Subdivision, which Outlot is legally known as follows:

Outlot "A" in Avian Forest, Replat I, and addition to the City of Bellevue, as surveyed, platted and recorded, in Sarpy County, Nebraska

3. Declarant hereby covenants, declares and agrees that it will convey Outlot A to Avian Forest Homeowner's Association, a Nebraska not-for-profit corporation, hereinafter "Homeowner's Association," as created in accordance with that Declaration of Covenants, Restrictions and Easements of Avian Forest, a subdivision in Sarpy County, Nebraska, recorded as Instrument No. 97-019133 in the real estate records of the Register of Deeds of Sarpy County, Nebraska, and Avian Forest Townhome Association, a Nebraska not-for-profit corporation, hereinafter "Townhome Association," as created in accordance with the Amendments to Declaration of Covenants, Conditions and

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Restrictions and Easements of Avian Forest, a subdivision in Sarpy County, Nebraska, as recorded in Instrument No. 3679 in the real estate records of Sarpy County, Nebraska, as tenants in common.

- 4. The conveyance of Outlot A shall be made upon the earlier of the following:
  - a) The time when Declarant (including any predecessor as developer of the Subdivision) has conveyed to purchasers for construction of residences (single family or townhome) title to forty-seven (47) of the platted lots in the Subdivision; or
  - b) The twentieth (20<sup>th</sup>) anniversary of the date of this Declaration.
- 5. Declarant intends Outlot A to remain as an undeveloped forested lot within the Subdivision for the benefit, enjoyment and use of Lots one (1) through fifty-three (53); and upon conveyance to the Homeowner's Association and Townhome Association, as described in paragraph 4, above, said associations shall maintain Outlot A for the benefit, enjoyment and use of the residents within the Subdivision. Said associations shall bear all costs for maintenance, preservation and real estate taxes.
- 6. Outlot A shall not be subdivided, developed or altered from its natural state and condition except for such purposes as may be necessary to maintain the natural character of Outlot A. Further, no easements, right-of-way or such other conveyances shall be granted to any resident within the Subdivision. Only those easements and covenants that are necessary for the benefit of the entire subdivision or mandated by governmental dictate shall be permitted, and in those cases, best effort shall be exercised to maintain the natural integrity of Outlot A.
- 7. This Declaration shall be recorded on Outlot A and shall constitute a covenant running with the land for the benefit of Lots one (1) through fifty-three (53).

Dated this \_\_\_\_day of November, 2001.

JPS ENTERPRISES, L.L.C., Declarant

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STATE OF NEBRASKA )	
COUNTY OF DOUGLAS )	
The foregoing instrument November, 2001, by <u>Joan ne</u> Enterprises, L.L.C.	was acknowledged before me this 7th day of Sharples, managing member of JPS
GENERAL NOTARY-State of Nebraska MICHEALINE A. RUFF My Comm. Exp. May 1, 2002	Michealine A Rieff Notary Public