

HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION DECLARATION

AMBER MEADOWS

THIS DECLARATION, made this <u>20</u> day of <u>December</u> <u>2007</u>, by the undersigned, President of the Meadows Homeowners Association,

WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, Amber Meadows Homeowners Association ('Association") is an association of homeowners owning individual lots within the real property as shown on plats 1 through 10 of AMBER MEADOWS, a residential subdivision in Johnson County, Kansas, which plats were recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds of Johnson County, Kansas, and

WHEREAS, the Association is now overseeing the above-described land and Association desires to create and maintain a residential neighborhood possessing features of more than ordinary value to the said community.

NOW, THEREFORE, in order to assist it and its members in providing the means necessary to maintain the above-described land, the Association does now and hereby subject all of the lots and tracts located in AMBER MEADOWS, as shown on the recorded plats thereof, to the covenants, charges and assessments set forth and contained in this declaration, subject, however, to the limitations hereinafter specified.

DEFINITIONS OF TERMS USED.

The term "District" as used in the Declaration shall mean, unless and until extended as hereinafter provided, all of the lots enumerated above as shown on said plats 1 through 10 of AMBER MEADOWS ("Amber Meadows"). The term "Lot", as used herein, shall mean any numbered lot as platted, which may consist of one or more numbered lots of part or parts of one or more numbered lots, as platted, upon which a residence may be erected in accordance with the "Restrictions" hereinafter defined. The term "Association" shall mean and refer to the Amber Meadows Homeowners' Association. The term "Public Place" as used herein shall be deemed to mean all streets, and similar places the use of which is expressly dedicated to or set aside for the use of the general public on said plats. The term "Common Areas" as used herein shall be deemed to mean any tract, designated as such on said plats, located within the District as it exists from time to time, which tracts shall be owned, managed and maintained by the Amber Meadows Homeowners' Association for the use, benefit and enjoyment of the present and future owners of land within the District. The term "Owners" as used herein shall mean those persons or corporations who may from time to time own the land within the District. The term "Restrictions" as used herein shall specifically include

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those contained in the "Declaration of Restrictions" of AMBER MEADOWS, plats 1 through 10 filed in the office of the Register of Deeds, Johnson County, Kansas, and all amendments thereto.

SECTION 1. MEMBERSHIP IN ASSOCIATION

The Owners of all of the land hereinabove described together with the owners of any other land that may from time to time be made subject to all of the terms and provisions of this Declaration in the manner hereinafter provided for, shall be the members of an association, which by this Declaration is hereby created and established, to be know as "AMBER MEADOWS HOME OWNERS' ASSOCIATION". The Association shall be incorporated under the laws of the State of Kansas as a corporation not for profit. Membership in the Association shall be limited to the Owners of land within the boundaries of the District as it exists from time to time.

SECTION 2. VOTING RIGHTS

Each Owner of a Lot in Amber Meadows shall be a member. Each member shall be entitled to one vote for each Lot owned by him, her or it in fee simple title. When more than one person holds such interest in any Lot, all such persons shall be members and 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 one Lot.

The voting rights of members shall be suspended for any period during which any assessment, including interest and fees, against his, her or its Lot remains unpaid.

- (1) The Association shall have the right to charge reasonable fees and determine the rules for the use of any recreational facility located within a Common Area.
- (2) At any regular or special meeting of the Association, members may cast their vote in person or by proxy.
- (3) Except as hereinbefore provided, the Association shall be the sole judge of the qualification of its members and of their rights to participate in its meetings and proceedings.

SECTION 3. LAND ENTITLED TO BENEFITS

No land shall be entitled to any of the benefits, improvements or services provided by this Association unless the owner thereof shall have subjected his, her or its land to the terms of this Declaration and to the assessments herein provided for.

SECTION 4. OTHER LANDS - HOW THEY MAY BE ADDED

The Association, upon approval by 51% of its members, may from time to time add to the District such land as now or hereinafter owned or approved for addition by it, provided that the land so added to the District shall at that time be bound by all of the terms of this Declaration and all amendments thereto.

SECTION 5. USE OF COMMON AREAS

The Owners of land within the District shall have the exclusive right to the use of all Common Areas within the District as it from time to time exists.

The AMBER MEADOWS HOME OWNERS' ASSOCIATION shall have the right and the power to make reasonable rules and regulations which shall govern the use of the said Common Areas.

SECTION 6. POWERS AND DUTIES OF THE ASSOCIATION

(1) The Association shall have the following powers and duties:

- To care for, spray, trim, protect, replace and replant trees, shrubbery, bushes, flowers, (a) grass and sod along all streets, in other public places where trees, shrubbery, bushes, flowers, grass and sod have once been planted or located; and to care for, spray, trim, protect, place, replace, plant and replant trees, shrubbery, bushes, flowers, grass and sod in the common areas set aside for the exclusive use of the Owners in the District.
- To provide, maintain, protect and, when necessary, design, construct, reconstruct and (b) replace protective lighting within the District when adequate service of that type is not available from any public source.
- To provide for the maintenance of any gateways, entrances, drinking fountains, statues (c) and ornamental features now existing or which may hereafter be erected or created in said District in any public street or park, or on any land set aside for the exclusive use of the Owners in the District; and also to provide for the maintenance of any streams or natural water-courses within the District.
- To provide for the operation and maintenance of and also to establish and enforce rules for the exclusive use by the members of any tennis courts, swimming pools, playgrounds, beach areas, green areas and parking areas which now exist or which may hereinafter be included, created or erected in the Common Areas within said District.
- To acquire and own the title to such real estate as may be reasonably necessary in order (e) to carry out the purposes of the Association, and to pay taxes on such real estate as may be owned by it; and to pay such taxes as may be assessed against land in the semipublic places or common areas within the District.
- To enforce, either in its own name or in the name of any Owner within the District, any (f) or all building restrictions which may have been heretofore or may hereafter be imposed upon any of the land in such District, either in the form as originally placed thereon or as modified subsequently thereto; provided, however, that this right of enforcement shall not serve to prevent such changes, releases or modifications as are permissible in the deeds, declaration, contract, plats or certificate of survey in which such restrictions or reservations are set forth, nor shall it serve to prevent the assignment of those rights by the proper parties, wherever and whenever such rights of assignment exist. The expenses and costs of any enforcement proceedings shall be paid out of the general fund of the Association as provided for herein. Nothing herein contained shall be deemed or construed to prevent any Owner having the contractual right to do so from enforcing in his own name any such restrictions.
- To manage and control as trustee for its members all improvements, including storm water improvements, located upon common areas in the District, provided that such management and control of said improvements shall at all times be subject to that and exercised by the City, County, and State, or any of them in which the land within the District is located.
- To mow, care for, maintain and remove rubbish from vacant and unimproved property (h) and to do any other things necessary or desirable in the judgment of the officers of the Association to keep

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any vacant and unimproved property and the parking in front of any property in the District neat in appearance and in good order.

- (i) To exercise control over such easements as it may acquire from time to time.
- (j) To provide for the collection and disposal of rubbish and garbage, when adequate services of the type are not available from any public source.
 - (k) To levy and collect the assessments which are provided for it this Declaration.
- (2) The Association shall have the following additional powers and duties which it may exercise and perform whenever in its discretion it may deem it necessary or desirable, to-wit:
 - (a) To provide for the plowing and removal of snow from sidewalks and streets, when such services are not available from any public source.
 - (b) To provide such lights as the Association may deem advisable on gateways, entrances or other features, and in other public or semi-public places, when such facilities are not available from any public source.
 - (c) To provide for the cleaning of streets, gutters, catch basins and sidewalks and for the repair and maintenance of storm sewers and appurtenant drainage facilities, when such services are not available from any public source.
 - (d) To erect and maintain signs for the marking of streets, and safety signs for the protection of children and other persons, when such signs are not available from any public source.
 - (e) To employ duly qualified peace officers for the purpose of providing such police protection as the Association may deem necessary or desirable in addition to that rendered by public authorities.

SECTION 7. MEHTOD OF PROVIDING GENERAL FUNDS

- (1) For the purpose of providing a general fund to enable the Association to exercise the powers and maintain the improvements and render the services herein provided for, each Lot within the District, owned by a member upon which a dwelling has been erected and is then or has been at any time theretofore occupied as a residence, shall be subject to an annual general fund assessment which may be levied by the Association from year to year, which assessment shall be paid to the Association annually or at such other times as the Association may determine in advance by such respective member. The Association may from year to year fix and determine the total amount required in this general fund and may levy and collect an annual assessment not exceeding Four Hundred Dollars (\$ 400.00) for each Lot owned by a member upon which a dwelling has been erected and is then or has been at any time theretofore occupied as a residence; that in respect to the year in which a dwelling is constructed on any certain Lot covered by this Declaration, the assessment for the said year shall be prorated to the first day of the month in which such dwelling is first occupied as a residence.
- (2) The maximum annual assessment upon each Lot as aforesaid may be increased on all the Lots in the District by an amount not exceeding twenty-five percent (25%) of the original maximum annual assessment which the Association may levy against such Lot and collect from year to year, provided that at a meting of the members specially called for that purpose, prior to the date upon which the assessment is levied for the year for

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which such increase is proposed, a majority vote of the total votes of the members present in person or by proxy at such meeting authorize such an increase by an affirmative vote therefore; and provided further, that the maximum annual assessment upon each Lot as aforesaid may be increased on all the Lots in the District by an amount not exceeding two hundred percent (200%) of the said original maximum annual assessment applicable to said Lot, provided that at a meeting of the members specially called for that purpose, prior to the date on which the assessment is levied for the year for which such increase is proposed, seventy-five percent (75%) of the total votes of the members present in person or by proxy at such meeting may authorize such an increase by an affirmative vote therefore.

- (3) Unless the increases provided for in paragraph (2) of this Section 7 are specifically limited by the resolutions in which they are contained to be for a specified period, they shall continue to be effective until rescinded by the Association, at a meeting specially called for such purpose, by an affirmative vote of seventy-five percent (75%) of the votes of members present or by action taken under the terms of paragraph (4) of this Section 7 in either such event the rescission shall be effective commencing on the first day of the next succeeding year.
- Whenever the Association may deem it advisable to submit to the members a proposal under paragraph (2) of this Section 7 for increasing or decreasing the permissible maximum amount of the annual assessments, it shall notify the members of the Association by mailing to such members at the last know address, with United States postage prepaid thereon, a notice of such meeting, giving the time and place at which it is to be held and the fact that an increase or decrease in the amount of the annual assessment is to be voted upon at such meeting; such notice must be deposited in the United States mail at a post office within twenty (20) miles of Overland Park, Kansas, not less than fifteen (15) days prior to the date of such special meeting.
- The assessment shall be for the calendar year, and it shall be fixed by the Association at a meeting called for such purpose, and shall be due and payable on January 1st of each year thereafter. Within fifteen (15) days from the levying of each assessment, the Association shall notify all Owners of assessable Lots whose addresses are listed with the Association of the amount of such assessment. Failure of the Association to levy the assessment prior to January 1st of each year for the next succeeding fiscal year beginning on January 1st shall not invalidate any such assessment subsequently made for that particular year; nor shall failure to levy an assessment for any one year affect the right of the Association to do so for any subsequent year. When the assessment is levied subsequent to the 1st day of December which proceeds such fiscal year then such assessment shall become due and payable not later than thirty (30) days from the date of levying the assessment. If the Association shall deem it necessary for the purpose of carrying out the terms of the Declaration, it shall have the right to make a partial assessment within the limits herein provided for and on the prorate basis for the period of time ending December 31st of the assessment year. The Association may elect to permit collections in monthly, quarterly or semi-annual payments in lieu of the annual payments provided for herein.
- (6) A written or printed notice, deposited in the United States Post Office, with postage prepaid thereon, and addressed to the respective Owners at the last address listed with the Association, shall be deemed to be sufficient and proper notice for these purposes, or for any other purpose of this Declaration where notices are required, unless otherwise provided herein.

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The owner of each Lot subject to an annual assessment as herein provided in paragraph (1) of this Section 7 shall by execution hereof or acceptance of a Deed to such Lot be taken to have agreed and does by these presents agree to pay to the Association all assessments placed against such Lot in accordance herewith, and said Association is hereby granted the power to proceed against such Owner personally for the collection of said assessments, said right to be in addition to and not to be construed as a limitation upon remedies and rights of said Association otherwise herein granted.

SECTION 8. LIEN ON REAL ESTATE

- (1) The assessment provided for herein shall become a lien on the real estate against which it can be levied as soon as it is due and payable as above set forth; provided, however, that such lien shall be inferior or subordinate to the lien of any valid first mortgage now existing or which my hereafter be placed on said real estate. In the event of the failure of any Owner to pay the assessment within thirty (30) days from the date same is levied, then such assessment, from the thirtieth (30) day after it has been levied shall bear interest at the maximum rate of interest then allowed in Kansas on mortgage notes.
- Within thirty (30) days from the date of levying the assessment for the calendar year during which and for which the assessment is levied, the assessment shall become delinquent and payment of both principal and interest may be enforced as a lien on said real estate, in proceedings in any court in Johnson County, Kansas, having jurisdiction of suits for the enforcement of such liens. It shall be the duty of the Association to bring suits to enforce such liens before the expiration thereof. The Association may at its discretion file certificates of non-payment of assessments in the office of the Register of Deeds whenever any such assessments are delinquent. For each certificate so filed, the Association shall be entitled to collect from the Owner or Owners of the property described therein a fee of Two Hundred Dollars (\$ 200.00), which fee is hereby declared to be a lien upon the real estate so described in said certificates, provided that such lien shall be inferior and subordinate to the lien of any valid first mortgage now existing or which may hereafter be placed on said real estate. The Association shall also be entitled to reasonable attorney's fees and filing and court costs upon the same. Such fee shall be collectable in the same manner as the original assessments provided for herein and in addition to the interest and principal due thereon.
- (3) Such liens shall continue for a period of five (5) years from the date of delinquency and no longer, unless within such time suit shall have been instituted for the collection of the assessment, in which case the lien shall continue until the termination of the suit and until the sale of the property under execution of the judgment establishing same.

SECTION 9. EXPENDITURES LIMITED TO ASSESSMENTS FOR CURRENT YEAR

The Association shall at no time expend more money within any calendar year than the total amount of the assessment for that particular year plus any surplus which it may have on hand from previous assessments; nor shall said Association enter into any contract whatsoever binding the assessment of any future year to pay for any such obligation, and no such contract shall be valid or enforceable against the Association except for contracts for utilities, it being the intention that the assessments for each year shall be applied as far as practicable toward payment of the obligations of that year, and that the Association shall have no power to make a contract affecting the assessment of any future or subsequent year except for utilities.

SECTION 10. ASSOCIATION TO NOTIFY MEMBERS OF ADDRESS

The Association shall notify all Owners of land in the District as it may exist from time to time, insofar as the addresses of such Owners are listed with said Association, of the official address of said Association, the place and time of the regular meetings of the Association, and the place where payments shall be made and any other business in connection with said Association may be transacted, and in the case of any change of such address the Association shall notify all the Owners of the land within the District, insofar as their addresses are listed with the Association, of the new address.

SECTION 11. TO OBSERVE ALL LAWS

Said Association shall at all times observe all State, County, City and other laws, and if at any time any of the provisions of this Declaration shall be found to be in conflict therewith, then such parts of this Declaration as are in conflict with such laws shall become null and void, but no other part of this Declaration not in conflict therewith shall be affected thereby. The Association shall have the right to make such reasonable rules and regulations, and provide such means and employ such agents as will enable it to adequately and properly carry out the provisions of this Declaration, subject, however, to the limitations of its rights to contract as are herein provided for.

SECTION 12. AMENDMENT

By written consent of seventy-five percent (75%) of the members, evidenced by a Declaration duly executed and acknowledged by such Owners and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds of Johnson County, Kansas, this instrument may be modified and amended.

SECTION 13. HOW TERMINATED

This Declaration may be terminated, and all of the land now or hereafter affected may be released from all of the terms and provisions thereof, by the Owners of seventy-five percent (75%) of the area then subject thereto, executing and acknowledging an appropriate agreement or agreements for that purpose and filing the same for the record in the office of the Register of Deeds of Johnson County, Kansas.

SECTION 14. CONVENANTS RUNNING WITH THE LAND

All of the provisions of this Declaration shall be deemed to be covenants running with the land, and shall be binding upon the Developer and upon their successors and assigns.

IN WITHNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has executed this instrument this 20 day of December, 2007.

Amber Meadows Homeowners Association

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Title: President

STATE OF KANSAS, JOHNSON COUNTY, SS.:

BE IT REMEMBERD, that on this <u>20</u> day of <u>December</u>, <u>2007</u>, before me the undersigned, a Notary Public in and for the county and state aforesaid, came <u>Tim Webb</u>, President of Amber Meadows Homeowners Association, who is personally known to me to be the same person who executed, as President, the within instrument on behalf of said Association, and such person duly acknowledged the execution of the same to be the act and deed of said Association.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my notarial seal the day and year last

above written.

Notary Public

My appointment expires:

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