- 5. Expenses of Action. The expenses of any corrective action or enforcement of this declaration, if not paid by the offending owner within thirty (30) days after written notice and billing, may be filed as a lien upon such lot, enforceable as other liens herein.
- 6. Owner Objection. Should a lot owner object to the complaints of the Declarant, the Association or ACC in writing within a period of fifteen (15) days after the complaint is made and, further, should the parties not agree on property maintenance or other matters complained of, the matter shall be submitted to arbitration. The arbitration shall be binding upon the parties. If the parties cannot agree upon an arbitrator, each party shall choose one arbitrator and they, in turn, shall choose a third. The arbitration shall be conducted in accordance with the rules of arbitration under the laws of the State of Washington in existence at the time of any such arbitration.
- 7. Costs and Attorneys Fees. In the event of legal action, the prevailing party shall be entitled to recover actual costs and attorney fees. For the purposes of this declaration "legal action" shall include arbitration, law suit, trial, appeals, and any action, negotiations, demands, counseling or otherwise intent of this provision to reimburse the prevailing party for all reasonable attorney fees and actual costs incurred in defending or enforcing the provisions of this Declaration, or the owner's rights hereunder.
- 8. Failure to Enforce. No delay or omission on the part of the Declarants or the Owners of other Lots in exercising any rights, power, or remedy provided in this Declaration shall be construed as a waiver or acquiescence in any breach of the covenants, conditions, reservations, or restrictions set forth in the Declaration. No action shall be brought or maintained by anyone whatsoever against the Declarants for or on account of its failure to bring any action for any breach of these covenants, conditions, reservations, or restrictions, or for imposing restrictions which may be unenforceable.
- Severability. Invalidation of any one of these covenants or restrictions by judgment or court order shall not affect any other provisions which shall remain in full force and effect.
- 10. <u>Interpretation</u>. In interpreting this Declaration, the term "person" may include natural persons, partnerships, corporations, associations, and personal representatives. The singular may also include the plural and the

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