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### The State of Texas

Secretary of State

SARAH ANN POWERS (HOOVER BAX & SLOVACEK, LL 5847 SAN FELIPE, SUITE 2200, SAN FELIPE PLAZ HOUSTON ,TX 77057

RE: TIERRA HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC. CHARTER NUMBER 01600990-01

IT HAS BEEN OUR PLEASURE TO APPROVE AND PLACE ON RECORD THE ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION THAT CREATED YOUR CORPORATION. WE EXTEND OUR BEST WISHES FOR SUCCESS IN YOUR NEW VENTURE.

AS A CORPORATION, YOU ARE SUBJECT TO STATE TAX LAWS. SOME NON-PROFIT CORPORATIONS ARE EXEMPT FROM THE PAYMENT OF FRANCHISE TAXES AND MAY ALSO BE EXEMPT FROM THE PAYMENT OF SALES AND USE TAX ON THE PURCHASE OF TAXABLE ITEMS. IF YOU FEEL THAT UNDER THE LAW YOUR CORPORATION IS ENTITLED TO BE EXEMPT YOU MUST APPLY TO THE COMPTROLLER OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTS FOR THE EXEMPTION. THE SECRETARY OF STATE CANNOT MAKE SUCH DETERMINATION FOR YOUR CORPORATION.

IF WE CAN BE OF FURTHER SERVICE AT ANY TIME, PLEASE LET US KNOW.



VERY TRULY YOURS,

Elton Bomer, Secretary of State



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CERTIFICATE OF INCORPORATION

OF

TIERRA HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC. CHARTER NUMBER 01600990

THE UNDERSIGNED, AS SECRETARY OF STATE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS, HEREBY CERTIFIES THAT THE ATTACHED ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION FOR THE ABOVE NAMED CORPORATION HAVE BEEN RECEIVED IN THIS OFFICE AND ARE FOUND TO CONFORM TO LAW.

ACCORDINGLY, THE UNDERSIGNED, AS SECRETARY OF STATE, AND BY VIRTUE OF THE AUTHORITY VESTED IN THE SECRETARY BY LAW, HEREBY ISSUES THIS CERTIFICATE OF INCORPORATION.

ISSUANCE OF THIS CERTIFICATE OF INCORPORATION DOES NOT AUTHORIZE
THE USE OF A CORPORATE NAME IN THIS STATE IN VIOLATION OF THE RIGHTS OF
ANOTHER UNDER THE FEDERAL TRADEMARK ACT OF 1946, THE TEXAS TRADEMARK LAW,
THE ASSUMED BUSINESS OR PROFESSIONAL NAME ACT OR THE COMMON LAW.

DATED OCT. 24, 2000 EFFECTIVE OCT. 24, 2000



Elton Bomer, Secretary of State

#### ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

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### TIERRA HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC.

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I, the undersigned, being a natural person of the age of twenty-one (21) or more, a citizen of the State of Texas, acting as incorporator of a corporation under the Texas Non-Profit Corporation Act, do hereby adopt the following Articles of Incorporation for such corporation:

### ARTICLE I. NAME OF CORPORATION

The name of the corporation is Tierra Homeowners Association, Inc., hereinafter called the "Association."

### ARTICLE II. REGISTERED OFFICE

The initial registered office of the Association is c/o Van Mor Properties, 1505 Highway 6 South, Suite 210, Houston, Texas 77077

#### ARTICLE III.

Van Mor · Properties, is hereby appointed the initial registered agent of the Association, whose address is the same as that of the initial registered office.

### ARTICLE IV. DURATION

The period of duration of the Association is perpetual.

### ARTICLE V. PURPOSES AND POWERS OF THE ASSOCIATION

The Association is organized to be operated for the sole purpose of carrying on as a "homeowners association," as that term is defined by Section 528(c) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986. Specifically, the Association is formed to provide for the administration, maintenance and preservation of the "Properties," including the "Lots" (as such terms are defined in that certain Declaration of Covenants, Conditions and Restrictions for Tierra dated October 18, 2000, filed for record in the office of the County Clerk of Harris County, Texas (the "Declaration") in

accordance with the Declaration; to exercise the duties and prerogatives of the Association set forth in the Declaration; to exercise all of the powers and duties set forth in the Bylaws of the Association and the Declaration; to have and to exercise any and all powers, rights, and privileges which a corporation organized under the Non-Profit Corporation Act of the State of Texas may now or hereafter have or exercise; and, to the extent permitted by law, to do any and all other things necessary to implement or accomplish the purposes set forth in the Bylaws of the Association and the Declaration.

### ARTICLE VI. MEMBERSHIP

Each owner of a Lot encumbered by the Declaration shall upon and by virtue of becoming such owner, automatically become and shall remain a member of the Association until ownership of the Lot ceases for any reason, at which time the membership in the Association shall also automatically cease. Membership in the Association shall be appurtenant to and shall automatically follow the ownership of such Lot and may not be separated from such ownership.

The Association shall have two (2) classes of Members:

- A. <u>Class "A"</u>. Class "A" Members shall be all Owners (as such term is defined in the Declaration), with the exception of Declarant (as such term is defined in the Declaration). Each Class "A" Member shall be entitled to one (1) vote for each Lot owned by such Member in the Properties; provided, however, when more than one person holds an interest in any Lot, all such persons shall be Members, and the single vote for such Lot shall be exercised by them as they among themselves determine but in no event shall more than one (1) vote be cast with regard to any Lot owned by a Class "A" Member. The votes of the Class "A" Members are referred to herein as the "Class 'A' votes".
- B. <u>Class "B"</u>. The Class "B" Member shall be Declarant. The Class "B" Member shall be allowed three (3) votes for each Lot in the Properties owned by Declarant. All Class "B" votes shall cease to exist and automatically be converted to Class "A" votes on the happening of any of the following events, whichever occurs earlier:
- 1. When 75% of the Lots planned for development have been sold to and occupied by Class A Members;
- 2. Twenty (20) years from the date the Declaration is filed in the Office of the County Clerk of Harris County, Texas; or
- 3. At such earlier time as the holder of the Class "B" votes may, in its sole discretion, elect, as evidenced by a document recorded in the Office of the County Clerk of Harris County, Texas.

C. Reinstatement of Class "B" Votes. Notwithstanding the prior provisions of subsection B above, if additional land is made subject to the jurisdiction of the Association pursuant to a Supplemental Declaration such that Declarant owns more than twenty-five percent (25%) of the total of all Lots, then the provisions in said paragraph B of Article VI shall be automatically reinstated ipso facto.

#### ARTICLE VII BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The number of Directors constituting the initial Board of Directors of the Association is three (3) and the names and addresses of the persons who are to serve as the initial Directors are:

Name	Address
Lawrence Howe	10235 W. Little York, Suite 240 Houston, Texas 77040
Arturo Bland	10235 W. Little York, Suite 240 Houston, Texas 77040
Stanley Gager	10235 W. Little York, Suite 240 Houston, Texas 77040

### ARTICLE VIII INCORPORATOR

The name and street address of the incorporator is:

<u>Name</u> <u>Address</u>

Sarah Ann Powers Hoover, Bax & Slovacek, L.L.P. 5847 San Felipe, Suite 2200

Houston, Texas 77057

### ARTICLE IX NON-PROFIT CORPORATION

The Association is a non-profit corporation, without capital stock organized solely for the purposes specified in Article V, and no part of its property, whether income or principal, shall ever inure to the benefit of any director, officer, Member or employee of the Association, nor shall any such director, officer, Member, employee, or individual receive or be lawfully entitled to receive any

profit from the operations of the Association for reimbursement of expenses except to the extent permitted by the Bylaws or the Declaration.

### ARTICLE X PROHIBITED ACTS

The Association shall not pay dividends or other corporate income to its Members, directors, or officers or otherwise accrue distributable profits or permit the realization of private gain. This prohibition shall not apply to acquiring, constructing, or providing management, maintenance, and care of Association property, or the rebate of excess membership dues, fees, or assessments to the Members of the Association.

The Association shall have no power to take any action prohibited by the Texas Non-Profit Corporation Act.

## ARTICLE XI LIMITATION ON LIABILITY OF DIRECTORS

A director is liable to the Association and/or its members for monetary damages for an act or omission in the director's capacity as director only as provided in the Declaration.

### ARTICLE XII INDEMNIFICATION

The Association may indemnify a person who was, is, or is threatened to be named defendant or respondent in litigation or other proceedings because the person is or was a director or other person related to the Association, as provided by the Bylaws of the Association. The terms and conditions of such indemnification shall be set forth in the Declaration or the Bylaws.

### ARTICLE XIII ACTIONS WITHOUT MEETINGS

Any action required by the Texas Non-Profit Corporation Act to be taken at a meeting of the Members or Directors of the Association or any action that may be taken at a meeting of the Members or Directors or of any committee may be taken without a meeting if a consent in writing, setting forth the action to be taken, is signed by a sufficient number of Members, directors, or committee members as would be necessary to take that action at a meeting at which all of the Members, directors, or members of the committee were present and voted.

### ARTICLE XIV DISSOLUTION

Upon dissolution of the Association, other than incident to a merger or consolidation, the assets of the Association shall be dedicated to an appropriate public agency to be used for purposes similar to those for which the Association was created or shall be granted, conveyed, and assigned to any non-profit corporation, association, trust, or other organization devoted to such similar purposes.

#### ARTICLE XV AMENDMENTS

Amendments of these Articles of Incorporation shall require the approval of two-thirds (2/3) of the votes which members of the Association, present at a meeting of the Association, in person or by proxy, are entitled to cast.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF for the purpose of forming this Association under the laws of the State of Texas, I, the undersigned incorporator of this Association, have executed these Articles of Incorporation this 23 day of October, 2000.

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Address: Hoover, Bax & Slovacek, L.L.P. 5847 San Felipe, Suite 2200, Houston, Texas 77057

THE STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF HARRIS

This instrument was acknowledged before me on this the  $\frac{23}{2}$  day of October, 2000, as incorporator of Tierra Homeowners Association, Inc., a Texas non-profit corporation.

CAROLYN BOYD
Notary Public
State of Texas
My Commission Expires
June 12, 2001

Notary Public, State of Texas