

DECLARATION OF COVENANTS, CONDITIONS, AND RESTRICTIONS

OF

THE WOODS

THE STATE OF TEXAS	§	
	§	KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS:
COUNTY OF KERR	§	

THAT WHEREAS, Declarants are the owners of certain real property (hereinafter referred to as "the property") shown upon that certain map designated as The Woods, according to the plat of same appearing of record in Volume 4, Page 137, of the Plat Records of Kerr County, Texas, to which instrument and its records reference is herein made for all purposes; and WHEREAS, it is deemed to be the best interest of Declarants and of the persons who may purchase lots from them that there be established and maintained a uniform plan for the improvement and maintenance of lots in the subdivision and the common facilities as hereinafter enumerated;

NOW, THEREFORE, it is hereby declared that all of the property described above shall be held, transferred, conveyed, improved and occupied in accordance with the covenants, conditions and easements as hereinafter set forth, and the property shall be subject to the restrictions set forth herein which shall run with the property and be binding on all parties having any interest therein.

ARTICLE I

DEFINITIONS

Section 1: "Association" shall mean and refer to The Woods Subdivision Owners Association, and its successors and assigns.

Section 2: "Declarants" shall mean and refer to Carl D.Meek, Jr., John Miller, Jr., and Patrick W. Olfers and wife, Sarah Olfers, their heirs and assigns.

Section 3: "Declaration" shall mean and refer to this Declaration of Covenants, Conditions, and Restrictions.

Section 4: "Dependent" shall mean and refer to a family member of an Owner or Tenant of an Owner who resides in such Owner's or Tenant's primary residence and who is primarily dependent on such Owner or Tenant for financial support.

Section 5: "Lot" shall mean any platted lot as shown on the plat of The Woods, recorded in Volume 4, Page 137, of the Plat Records of Kerr

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County, Texas.

Section 6: "Owner" shall mean and refer to the person or persons, entity or entities, who either own a record fee simple title to a Lot, or have entered as an original party, successor or assignee into a Contract of Purchase and Sale for a Lot with Developer; the term "Owner" to include Developer if Developer is a record owner of fee simple title to a Lot, but only if, with respect to such Lot, Developer has not entered into Contract of Purchase and Sale. The association, under no circumstances, shall be deemed an Owner pursuant hereto.

Section 7: "Property" shall mean those tracts as shown on the plat of the Woods, as the same appears of record in Volume 4, Page 137, of the Plat Records of Kerr County, Texas. Declarants reserve the right to add additional property to The Woods, provided that such addition is in accordance with the general plan of development of The Woods. The additions herein described may be made by the execution and recording of a supplemental declaration describing the real property constituting the addition and containing an appropriate reference to this Declaration, whereupon, the provisions of this Declaration shall become applicable to such real property in all respects as if this Declaration had included such real property from the beginning, provided, however, that nothing herein contained shall subject such additional real property to assessments for the years prior to the year of addition.

ARTICLE II
MEMBERSHIP

Every person or entity who is a record owner of a fee interest in any Lot which is subject by covenants of record to assessment by the Association shall be members of the Association; provided however, the foregoing does not include those persons or entities who hold an interest merely a security for the performance of an obligation. Membership shall be appurtenant to and may not be separated from ownership of any Lot which is subject to assessment by the Association. Ownership of such Lot shall be the sole qualification for membership. All present or future owners are subject to the terms of this Declaration and mere acquisition of any Lot will signify that this Declaration is accepted, ratified, and will be complied with.

ARTICLE III
VOTING RIGHTS

Each member of the Association shall be entitled to one (1) vote for each Lot in which they hold the interest required for membership by Article II. When more than one person holds such interest in any portion of the property, all such persons shall be members, provided, however, the vote for each such acre so owned shall be exercised as they among themselves determine, but in no event shall more than one (1) vote be cast with respect to any such jointly owned Lot.

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ARTICLE IV
POWER AND DUTIES OF THE ASSOCIATION

The Woods Subdivision Owners Association shall have the following powers and duties, whenever, in the exercise of its discretion, it may deem them necessary and advisable;

(1) To enforce this Declaration either in its own name or in the name of any owner within the subdivision.

(2) To maintain all property owned by the Association, including roads, and other common facilities.

(3) To borrow money by and through the Board of Directors, providing the borrowing of funds is approved and sanctioned by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the membership at a meeting called for the purpose of such determination.

(4) To construct improvements to common facilities or along common easements reserved for utilities.

(5) The Association shall have the right to expend its funds for the above-mentioned purposes and for such other purposes as said Association acting through its management committee may deem advisable for the general welfare of the property owners of The Woods.

ARTICLE V
COVENANT FOR MAINTENANCE ASSESSMENTS

(1) Creation of the Personal Obligation of Assessments. By purchase of a lot which is subject to these covenants, conditions, and restrictions, each member is deemed to covenant and agree to pay to the Association annual assessments or charges. These assessments are to be made as set forth in the By-Laws of the Association, with the initial assessment to be made by the Board of Directors during the first week of November, 1978. Each such assessment, together with such interest, costs, and reasonable attorney's fees shall be the personal obligation of the person who was the owner of such property at the time when the assessment was due.

(2) Purpose of Assessments. The purpose of the assessments levied by the Association shall be used exclusively by it to enforce these covenants, conditions, and restrictions and for the purposes of exercising those powers and duties conferred upon the Association by Article IV above.

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(3) Uniform Rate. The assessments shall be fixed at a uniform rate for all lots as determined by the Board of Directors, and shall be collected on an annual basis.

(4) Non-Payment of Assessments-Remedies of the Association. Assessments shall be due and payable on or before the 1st day of January of each calendar year. If not paid within thirty (30) days of such due date, the assessment shall bear interest at the rate of ten percent (10) per annum. The Association may bring on action at law against the owner personally obligated to pay the assessment, and the interest, costs and reasonable attorney's fees of any such action shall be recoverable or otherwise added to the amount of such assessment. Any Owner failing to pay the assessment shall forfeit all right to use the property owned by the Association until such assessment has been paid. The specific remedies referred to herein shall not preclude the Association from exercising any other remedies which may legally exist, and such remedies shall be considered as cumulative.

ARTICLE VI
OWNER'S EASEMENTS OF ENJOYMENT

Every owner shall have a right and easement of enjoyment in and to the property owned by the Association, which right and easement shall be appurtenant to and pass with the title to every lot. Provided, however, such right and easement shall be subject to any restrictions established by the Association and its Management Committee, and each owner's use and enjoyment of the property owned by the Association shall not interfere with the rights and enjoyment of other owners to use and enjoy the same.

ARTICLE VII
USE RESTRICTIONS

1. Non-Commercial Use of Lots. None of said Lots, or the improvements erected thereon, shall for any purpose other than single family residence with the usual and customary accessory buildings such as, but not limited to, garage, guest cottage and servants' quarters. No Lot, or the improvements thereon, shall be used for any commercial purpose, except that nothing herein shall be construed to prevent an Owner from rendering professional services of a purely personal nature as long as such services do not attribute to the Lot any appearance of a commercial or non-residential use.

2. Common Areas. The common areas owned or controlled by the Association shall be maintained and governed by the Association in a manner consistent with the purposes of the Association as set forth in the By-laws and in conformity with the terms and provisions thereof.

3. Construction of Buildings and Other Structures. All buildings and structures on each Lot shall be of new construction and architecturally in harmony with the primary residential buildings. No unpainted sheetmetal or fiberglass structures shall be placed on any of said Lots for the use as an accessory building. No tent, housetrailer, or temporary structure of any character may be placed, constructed or maintained on any of said Lots. Motor Homes and travel trailers may be stored under certain conditions, however, they shall not be used as a residence nor can they be hooked up to sanitary facilities.

4. Size of Building and Other Structures. Not more than one primary residence shall be constructed on any of said Lots. In no event shall any residence be erected on any of said Lots having a living area of less than one thousand six hundred (1600) square feet, exclusive of porches, garages or other appendages, nor which is less than fifty per cent (50 %) masonry construction.

5. Set Back Requirements and Fencing. No Building, or other structure shall be erected on any Lot nearer than fifty (50) feet from any street, or twenty (20) feet from any side property line, nor closer than twenty (20) feet from any rear property line. Woods III structures are forty (40) feet from any street (**Vol. 294 Page 612**). All fences must be approved by the Committee. Set back requirements for Woods III owners may be reduced to (10) Ten feet with prior approval of Architectural Control Committee.

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6. The Architectural Control Committee. There is hereby established an Architectural Control Committee herein referred to as "Committee". The Committee shall determine if the plans and specifications for any fence or structure on any Lot meet the requirements of these Restrictions and determine if the appearance, design and quality of workmanship and materials are in harmony

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with the proposed scheme or plan of development of the subdivision as such Committee shall establish. No construction may begin until a plat plan and plans and specifications have been approved by the Committee, If approval is granted construction shall be commenced within eight (8) months thereafter, and, if not, such approval shall be automatically withdrawn. The building of any approved structure must be completed within eight (8) months of commencement of construction. The Committee shall designate the streets and roads onto which access from each Lot must be located and no other access shall be permitted. Construction plans and specifications shall, as a minimum, include plans for all floors and levels involved together with elevations of all sides of the proposed structure, a section through the structure to explain the relationship of the floor levels and stairs, and notes and/or specifications that describe the materials to be used on the exteriors.

7. Rules and Regulations. The Committee is authorized to establish additional rules and regulations for all Lots, the activities conducted thereon, the improvements to be constructed thereon and the use thereof, not inconsistent with the provisions hereof, the same shall be enforced in the same manner as provided herein. The Committee may approve any variance from any provision or term hereof upon written application for same. The decision of the Committee shall be absolutely binding upon all owners and the applicant for the variance. The actions taken by the Committee as required herein shall be stated in writing in within thirty (30) days of receipt of plans and specifications, application for variance or other request for action. In the event the Committee fails to act and advise in writing then written approval will not be required provided the applicant notifies the Committee in writing, certified mail, return receipt requested, that at the expiration of fifteen (15) days following receipt of said notice that the Covenants will be presumed to have been fully complied with unless the Committee takes actions as required under these Covenants. Plans and specifications or other requests for action shall be deemed to be properly submitted to the Committee if delivered in person or forwarded by mail, certified, return receipt requested, addressed to the Committee at the registered office of the Association. The residence or buildings, however, must be constructed in compliance with all of the other provisions hereof.

8. Animals and Hunting. No animals other than domestic pets and horses shall be permitted on any of said Lots. Horses may be kept on a Lot if restrained within a fenced enclosure. Hunting is prohibited

9. Sanitation and Sewage. No outside toilets will be permitted, and no installation of any kind for disposal of sewage shall be allowed which would result in raw, treated or untreated sewage or septic tank drainage on or into the surface, alleys, ditches or water bodies. No septic tank or sewage disposal system may be installed without prior approval of the Committee and the proper governmental authorities. All State, County and municipal (if any) health and sanitation statutes, rules, ordinances and regulations must be complied with at all times.

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10. Signs. No sign or advertising device may be displayed on any Lot except in the event of sale. There may be one for sale sign containing no more than five (5) square feet.

11. Trash and Garbage. No trash, garbage, construction debris, or other refuse may be dumped or disposed of or allowed to remain upon any Lot, vacant or otherwise. No building materials of any kind or character shall be placed or stored upon the property until the owner is ready to commence improvements, and then such material shall be placed within the property lines of the Lot. No noxious or undesirable thing or use whatsoever shall be permitted on any Lot. The Committee shall determine noxiousness or undesirability and its decision shall be conclusive on all parties.

12. Subdividing. No Lot, as that term is defined herein, may be re-subdivided by the owner.

13. Association Membership. All of the Lots are sold or conveyed upon the understanding that the owner or contract purchaser will be required to become and remain a member in good standing of the Association, and the owner and his property shall be subject to the provisions of the By-laws of the Association including any obligation thereby imposed for the payment of any costs, dues or assessments.

14. Drilling. No oil well drilling, oil development operations, oil refining, quarrying, or mining operations of any kind shall be permitted on a Lot, nor shall oil wells, tanks, tunnels, mineral excavations, or shafts be permitted on any Lot. No derrick or other structure designed for use in boring for oil, natural gas, or other minerals shall be erected, maintained, or permitted on any Lot.

15. Covenants Running With The Land. **(As amended and Filed in Vol I page 0068)**

These restrictions and covenants are hereby declared to be covenants running with the land and shall be fully binding upon all persons acquiring property in said subdivision whether by descent, devise, purchase, assignment, contract or otherwise, and any person by the acceptance of title to any lot, tract or parcel of land or entering into contract for the purchase of same shall thereby agree and covenant to abide by, and fully perform all of the foregoing Restrictions. These Restrictions shall be binding for a period of thirty (30) years from the date they are filed for record in the Deed Records of Kerr County, Texas, unless changed or amended as provided herein. Said covenants shall be automatically extended, upon the expiration of said term, for successive periods of ten (10) years each. **The record owners of legal title of sixty-six percent (66 %) of the Lots as shown by the Deed Records of Kerr County, Texas, may amend or change said covenants in whole or in part at any time. Any person or persons desiring to amend any of the said Covenants and Restrictions must appear before the Board of Directors of the Woods Homeowners Association before proceeding with any action.** Any change or amendment shall be set fourth and evidenced by a successor instrument bearing the signatures of the requisite number of

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record owners and the recording of same in the office of the County Clerk of Kerr County, Texas.

A copy of any change or amendment to these Restrictions shall be forwarded by prepaid mail to all owners by the Committee. Failure to furnish said copy shall not affect the validity of such change or amendment.

ARTICLE VIII
DURATION AND AMENDMENT

The covenants, conditions and restrictions provided for in this Declaration shall run with and bind the land and shall inure to the benefit of and be enforceable by the Association, its successors and assigns, for a term of twenty (20) years from the date this Declaration is recorded, after which time the same shall be automatically extended for successive periods of ten (10) years. Except as hereinabove expressly provided in the BY-Laws of the Association. Any amendment must be properly recorded.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned, being the Declarants herein, have hereunto caused this instrument to be executed this 14th day of September, A.D.,1978.

CARL D. MEEK, JR., Individually
and as Attorney-in-fact for
Patrick W. Olfers and wife, Sarah
Olfers, and as Attorney-in-Fact for
John Miller, Jr.