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DECLARATION OF PROTECTIVE COVENANTS,
RESERVATIONS AND RESTRICTIONS
TO LOTS IN DEERFIELD
TAZEWELL COUNTY, VIRGINIA

WHEREAS, the said Keesling Construction Company, a Corporation, has laid out and subdivided said tract or parcel of land into lots and streets, as shown upon a Map of record Plat Book #42, Page 125, Plat Card # 8330, Deed Book #783, Page #853.

WHEREAS, the said Keesling Construction company, a Corporation, has deemed it necessary to impose restrictions upon the lots or parcels of land shown upon above recorded maps.

NOW, THEREFORE, THIS INDENTURE WITNESSETH:

That the said Keesling Construction Company, a Corporation, does hereby certify that all of the lots shown upon said Maps of Deerfield, shall be subject to the following restrictions and conditions, to wit:

PART A. PREAMBLE

Deerfield
Tazewell County Virginia

PART B. AREA OF APPLICATION

B-1. FULLY PROTECTED RESIDENTIAL AREA.

The residential area covenants in Part C in their entirety shall apply to Deerfield. The developers reserve the right to add additional land make into lots and make the additional lots subject to these restrictions.

PART C. RESIDENTIAL AREA COVENANTS

C-1. LAND USE AND BUILDING TYPE.

No lot shall be used except for residential purposes. No building shall be erected, altered, placed, or permitted to remain on any lot other than one detached single family dwelling, not to exceed three stories in height and a private garage for not more than three automobiles. Utility buildings must be harmonious to design of house and not so large as to be obtrusive. No lot shall be subdivided other than by the developer.

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C-2. UTILITY EASEMENTS.

The lots in said Subdivision shall all be subject to easements reserved for the installation of utility lines and drainage easements in favor of the developer and utility companies for the installation of utility and drainage lines on, over and throughout said lots for the benefit of other lots, the same to be installed with care, so as not to affect the utilization of the property for residential use.

C-3. ARCHITECTURAL CONTROL.

No structure, whether residence, accessory building, tennis court, swimming pool, flag pole, fence, wall, exterior lighting, or other improvements, shall be constructed or maintained upon lot and no alteration or repainting to the exterior of a structure shall be made and no landscaping performed unless complete plans, specifications, showing the exterior design, height, building material and color scheme thereof, the location of the structure plotted horizontally and vertically, the location and size of driveways, the general plan of landscaping, fencing, wall, and wind breaks, and the grading plan shall have been submitted to and approved in writing as provided for in Part D.

C-4. DWELLING COST, QUALITY AND SIZE.

All dwellings shall be of a quality comparable with others in the area. No mobile homes or double wide homes will be permitted on said lots.

C-5. BUILDING LOCATION.

- A. All residences shall maintain adequate off street parking.
- B. All clothes lines shall be located to the rear of the main dwelling house.
- C. All improvements under construction within Deerfield must be completed within one year from the time of beginning.
- D. All improvements are to be comparable to others in immediate area.
- E. All lots and parcels of land within Deerfield must be maintained in an orderly manner and kept in reasonable good appearance and upon failure of the owner or occupier to accomplish such maintenance, Deerfield Maintenance Association may perform the same and assess the cost to the owner.
- H. No lot shall be used for parking of boats, motor homes, motor cycles, trailers, trucks or cars except personal use vehicles.
- I. All lots will be restricted from use as a business.

C-6. NUISANCES.

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No noxious or offensive activity shall be carried on upon any lot, nor shall anything be done thereon which may be or may become an annoyance or nuisance to the neighborhood.

C-7. TEMPORARY STRUCTURES.

No structure of a temporary character, trailer, basement, tent, shack, garage, barn, or other outbuilding shall be used on any lot at any times as a residence either temporarily or permanently.

C-8. SIGNS.

No sign of any kind shall be displayed to the public view on any lot, except the sign of not more than five square feet advertising the property for sale or rent, or signs used by a builder to advertise the property during the construction and sales period.

C-9. LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY.

No animals, livestock or poultry of any kind shall be raised, bred or kept on any lot, except that dogs, cats or other household pets may be kept, provided that they are not kept, bred or maintained for any commercial purpose.

C-10. GARBAGE AND REFUSE DISPOSAL.

No lot shall be used or maintained as a dumping ground for rubbish. Trash, garbage, or other waste shall not be kept, except in sanitary containers. All incinerators or other equipment for the storage or disposal of such material shall be kept in a clean and sanitary condition.

C-11. SIGHT DISTANCE AT INTERSECTIONS.

No fence, wall, hedge, or shrub planting which obstructs sight lines at elevations between 2 and 6 feet above the roadways shall be placed or permitted to remain on any corner lot within the triangular area formed by the street property lines and a line connecting them at points 25 feet from the intersection of the street lines, or in the case of a rounded property corner, from the intersection of the street property line with the edge of a driveway or alley pavement. No tree shall be permitted to remain within such distances of such intersections, unless the foliage line is maintained at sufficient height to prevent obstruction of such sight lines.

PART D. ARCHITECTURAL CONTROL COMMITTEE.

D-1. MEMBERSHIP.

Keesling Construction, a Corporation, will serve as the Architectural Control Committee until such time as the last lot is conveyed or architectural control is turned over to Deerfield Maintenance Association. At the time the architectural control is turned over to Deerfield Maintenance Association, three members will be appointed by the membership to serve. a majority of the committee may designate a representative to act for it. In the event of death or resignation of any member of the Committee, the remaining members shall have full authority to appoint a successor. Neither the members of the Committee nor its designated representative shall be entitled to any compensation for services performed pursuant to this covenant. The members of the

Association may at any time, after control is turned over to the Committee, by majority vote, fill vacancies existing in the Architectural Control Committee and shall have power to change the membership of said Committee.

D-2. PROCEDURE.

The approval or disapproval, as required in these covenants, shall be in writing. In the event Deerfield or the Committee, or its designated representative, fails to approve or disapprove within 30 days after plans and specifications have been submitted to it, approval will not be required and the related covenants shall be deemed to have been fully complied with.

PART E. PARK AREA COVENANTS

E-1. In the event that Keesling Construction Company, a Corporation, should designate certain areas of this Subdivision for recreational purposes, this Association will accept title to the same and maintain such areas for the use and benefit of the subdivision.

PART F. CIVIC AREA COVENANTS

(NONE)

PART G. BUSINESS AREA COVENANTS

(NONE)

PART H. GENERAL PROVISIONS

H-1. TERM.

These covenants are to run with the land and shall be binding on all parties and all persons claiming under them for a period of thirty (30) years from the date these covenants are recorded, after which such time said covenants shall be automatically extended for successive periods of ten years, unless an instrument signed by a majority vote of the then owners of the lots has been recorded, agreeing to change said covenants in whole or in part.

H-2. SERVERABILITY.

Invalidation of any one of these covenants by judgment or court order shall in no way affect any of the other provisions which shall remain in full force and effect.

E-3. MAINTENANCE ASSOCIATION.

A. Each original owner and each successive owner of each lot shall, by accepting title thereto, become a member of Deerfield Maintenance Association, a non profit, non stock corporation, whose purpose is to maintain the streets, roadways, sidewalks, surface water drainage, pipe lines, mains, open drains, ditches and a street lighting system of Deerfield. This property owners' Maintenance Association shall have the power to levy dues and assessments against its members for the purpose of financing the repair and maintenance of said facilities, in accordance with the By-laws of said Association.

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B. The said Keesling construction Company, a Corporation, for each lot owned by them, hereby covenant, and each purchaser of a lot covenants and agrees to pay the dues and assessments as provided in the By-laws, and further agree that said dues and assessments shall be a charge on the land shall be a continuing lien upon the property against which the dues and assessments are made, with Keesling Construction Company, a Corporation, being chargeable on the basis of one assessment for each two (2) lots owned, whose voting power shall be in the same proportion.

C. Should VDOT take maintenance of streets the association would not be responsible for maintenance of same.

D. The covenants and restrictions of this Declaration shall run with and bind the land, and shall inure to the benefit of and be enforceable by the Association, or the owner of any lot subject to this Declaration, their respective legal representatives, heirs, successors and assigns, for a term of thirty (30) years from the date this Declaration is recorded, after which time said covenants shall be automatically extended for successive periods of ten (10) years. The covenants and restrictions of this Declaration may be amended during the first twenty (20) years period, by an instrument signed by not less than ninety percent (90%) of the lot owners, and thereafter by an instrument, signed by not less than seventy-five percent (75%) of the lot owners. any amendment must be properly recorded.

E. Assessments and collections of the stated amount or rate of the assessment, and the basis of the assessment, shall be on a per lot basis.

F. Covenants for maintenance assessments.

Section 1. The Declarant, for each lot owned within the properties, hereby covenants, and each owner of any lot, by acceptance of a deed therefor, whether or not it shall be so expressed in any such deed or other conveyance, is deemed to covenant and agree to the Association: (1) Annual assessments or charges, and (2) special assessments for capital improvements, such assessments to be fixed, established and collected from time to time as hereinafter provided. The annual and special assessments, together with such interest thereon and costs of collection thereof, as hereinafter provided, shall be a charge on the land and shall be a continuing lien upon the property against which each such assessment is made. Each such assessment, together with interest, cost and reasonable attorneys' fees, shall also be the personal obligation of the person who was the owner of such property at the time when the assessment fell due. The personal obligation shall not pass to his successors in title, unless expressly assumed by them. The lien shall be perfected by the filing the same by the Maintenance Association in the office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court of Tazewell County, Virginia, and such lien shall be subordinate to any deed of trust on said property.

Section 2. Purposes of assessments. The assessments levied by the Association shall be used exclusively for the purpose of promoting the recreation, health, safety and welfare of the residents in the properties and in particular, for the improvement and maintenance of the properties, services and facilities devoted to this purpose, and related to the use and enjoyment of the common area and of the homes situated upon the properties.

Section 3. Basis and maximum of annual assessments. Until January of the year immediately following the conveyance of the first lot to an owner, the maximum assessment shall be One Hundred Twenty Dollars per lot per annum.

- (a) From and after January 1 of the year immediately following the conveyance of the first lot to an owner, the maximum annual assessment may be increased, effective January 1 of each year, without a vote of the membership, in conformance with the rise, if any, of the Consumer Price Index (published by the Department of Labor, Washington, D.C.) for the preceding month of July.
- (B) From and after January 1 of the year immediately following the conveyance of the first lot to an owner, the maximum annual assessment may be increased above that established by the Consumer Price Index formula, by a vote of the members for the next succeeding five (5) years, and at the end of such period of five (5) years, for each succeeding period of five (5) years, provided that any such change shall have the assent of two thirds (2/3) of the votes of each class of members who are voting in person, or by proxy, at a meeting duly called for this purpose, written notice of which shall be sent to all members not less than thirty (30) days, nor more than sixty (60) days, in advance of the meeting. The limitations hereof shall not apply to any change in the maximum and basis of the assessments undertaken as an incident to a merger or consolidation in which the Association is authorized to participate under its Articles of Incorporation.
- (C) After consideration of current maintenance costs and future needs of the Association the Board may set the dues in an amount not in excess of the maximum.

Section 4. Special assessments for capital improvements. In addition to the annual assessments authorized above, the association may levy in any assessment year a special assessment, applicable to that year only, for the purpose of defraying, in whole or in part, the cost of any construction or reconstruction, unexpected repair or replacement of a described capital improvement upon the common area, including the necessary fixtures and personal property related thereto, provided that such assessment shall have the assent of two thirds (2/3) of the votes of each class of members who are voting in person or by proxy, at the meeting duly called for this purpose, written notice of which shall be sent to all members of not less than thirty (30) days nor more than sixty (60) days in advance of the meeting, setting forth the purpose of the meeting.

Section 5. Uniform rate of assessment. Both annual and special assessments must be fixed at a uniform rate for all lots and may be collected on a monthly or equal basis as determined by the Board of Directors of the Association.

Section 6. Quorum for any action authorized under Sections 3 and 4. At the first meeting called, as provided in Sections 3 and 4 hereof, the presence at the meeting of members, or of proxies entitled to cast sixty percent (60%) of all the votes of each class of membership, shall constitute a quorum. If the required quorum is not forthcoming at any meeting, another meeting may be called, subject to the notice requirement set forth in Sections 3 and 4, and the required quorum at any such subsequent meeting shall be one half (1/2) of the required quorum at the preceding meeting. No such subsequent meeting shall be held more than sixty (60) days following the preceding meeting.

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Section 7. Date of commencement of annual assessments. Due dates. The annual assessments provided for herein shall commence as to all lots on the first day of the month following the first general membership meeting. The first annual assessment shall be adjusted according to the number of months remaining in the calendar year. The Board of Directors shall fix the amount of the annual assessment against each lot at least thirty (30) days in advance of each annual assessment period. Written notice of the annual assessment shall be sent to every owner subject thereto. The due dates shall be established by the Board of Directors. The Association shall, upon demand, at any time, furnish a certificate in writing, signed by an officer of the Association, setting forth whether the assessments on a specified lot have been paid. A reasonable charge may be made by the Board of the issuance of these certificates. Such certificates shall be conclusive evidence of payment of any assessment therein stated to have been paid.

Section 8. Effect of nonpayment of assessments. Remedies of the Association. Any assessments which are not paid when due, shall be delinquent. If the assessment is not paid within thirty (30) days after the due date, the assessment shall bear interest from the date of delinquency, at the rate of ten percent (10%) per annum and the Association may bring an action at law against the owner personally obligated to pay the same, or foreclose the lien against the property, and interest, costs and reasonable attorney fees of any such action shall be added to the amount of such assessment. No owner may waive or otherwise escape liability for the assessments provided for herein by non use of the common area or abandonment of his lot.

Section 9. Subordination of the lien to mortgages. The lien of the assessments provided for herein shall be subordinate to the lien of any mortgage or mortgages. Sale or transfer of any lot which is subject to any mortgage, pursuant to a decree of foreclosure under such mortgage, or any proceeding in lieu of foreclosure thereof, shall extinguish the lien of such assessments as to payments thereof which became due prior to such sale or transfer. No sale or transfer shall relieve such lot from liability for any assessments thereafter becoming due or from the lien thereof.

Section 10. Exempt property. The following property subject to this Declaration shall be exempt from the assessments created herein: (a) all properties dedicated to and accepted by a local public authority; (b) common areas; and (c) all properties owned by a charitable or non-profit organization exempt from taxation by the laws of the State of Virginia. However, no land or improvements devoted to dwelling use shall be exempt from said assessments.

PART I. ENFORCEMENT

The developer or the maintenance association, when formed, may enforce the provisions of these restrictions and a Court of competent jurisdiction in the State of Virginia.

PART II. ATTEST

All of the foregoing matters shall be incorporated by reference hereto in the deeds to Deerfield and shall be binding and as effective as those set out verbatim in said deeds, it being understood that each of the foregoing items shall be referred to and become a part and parcel of each deed.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, Keesling Construction Company, a Corporation, has causes these presents to be signed by its authority duly given this the _____ day _____

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COMPANY,

KEESLING CONSTRUCTION

a Corporation

BY Rodney Keesling

Its President

ATTEST:

Daisy Keesling
Secretary

STATE OF VIRGINIA,

COUNTY OF TAZEWELL, TO-WIT:

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me by RODNEY KEESLING, President of KEESLING CONSTRUCTION COMPANY, a Corporation, and DAISEY KEESLING, its Secretary, on June 6, 2000.

My Commission expires: July 31, 2004

Crystal Williams
Notary Public

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