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CERTIFICATION OF VOTE ON AMENDED RESTRICTIONS AND PROTECTIVE COVENANTS WEST EDGEMONT ADDITION CITY OF HOUSTON, TEXAS HARRIS COUNTY

STATE OF TEXAS	•	§ §	KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS
COUNTY OF HARRIS		§	

THAT, WHEREAS, Edgemont Civic Association (the "Association"), a property owners' association as defined in Chapter 204 of the Texas Property Code (the "Code"), having jurisdiction over all of the properties located in West Edgemont Addition which are described in Exhibit "A" attached hereto and incorporated herein for all purposes (the "Subdivision"), approved and circulated certain Amended Restrictions and Protective Covenants in the form attached hereto as Exhibit "B" and incorporated herein for all purposes (the "Amended Restrictions") for the purpose of amending the existing covenants, conditions and restrictions (the "Existing Restrictions") applicable to the Subdivision in the manner provided in Sections 204.005 and 204.008 of the Code; and

WHEREAS, the Association approved and circulated to each owner of property in the Subdivision a written ballot ("Ballot") containing (i) a copy of the Amended Restrictions, (ii) a summary of the substance of the Amended Restrictions, and (iii) the date by which the ballot must be received by the Association to be counted. A Ballot was delivered either by hand delivery to residences within the Subdivision or by regular mail to the owner's last known mailing address as reflected in the ownership records maintained by the Association, all in accordance with Section 204.005 of the Code.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Association does hereby certify, pursuant to Section 204.005 of the Code, as evidenced by Certification of Receiving and Counting Ballots on Amended Restrictions and Protective Covenants in the form attached hereto as Exhibit "C" and incorporated herein for all purposes, that the owners of at least seventy-five percent (75%) of the real property in the Subdivision voted in favor of and to approve the Amended Restrictions. A true and correct copy of the form of Ballot with exhibits, including the Amended Restrictions, is filed under Clerk's File No. 20080451301 of the Official Public Records of Real Property of Harris County, Texas.

Dated: August 27, 2008.

EDGEMONT CIVIC ASSOCIATION

Geoffrey K. Walker, President

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This instrument was acknowledged before me on the 27 day of august, on behalf of said entity.



May S. Dowery

Notary Public, in and for the State of Fexas

RECORD AND RETURN TO:

Geoffrey K. Walker Andrews Kurth LLP 600 Travis, Suite 4200 Houston, Texas 77002

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EXHIBIT "A"

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Description of Subdivision

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BLOCK THREE (3):

Lot Eight (8) and the adjoining West Fourteen and fifty-three hundredths feet (W. 14.53') of Lot Nine (9), Block Three (3), of WEST EDGEMONT, an addition in Harris County, Texas; according to the map or plat thereof, recorded in Volume 572, Page 2 and in Volume 572, Page 155, both of the Deed Records of Harris County, Texas.



Eleven Thousand Two Hundred Fifty (11,250) square feet of land being the East Sixty and 47/100 feet (E. 60.47') of Lot Nine (9) and the adjoining West Fourteen and fifty-three hundredths feet (W. 14.53') of Lot Ten (10), Block Three (3), of WEST EDGEMONT, an addition in Harris County, Texas; according to the map or plat thereof, recorded in Volume 572, Pages 155 and 156, of the Deed Records of Harris County, Texas.

The East Sixty and forty-seven hundredths feet (E. 60.47') of Lot Ten (10) and the adjoining West Fourteen and fifty-three hundredths feet (W. 14.53') of Lot Eleven (11) in Block Three (3), of WEST EDGEMONT, an addition in Harris County, Texas; according to the map or plat thereof, recorded in Volume 572, Page 2 and in Volume 572, Page 155, both of the Deed Records of Harris County, Texas.

The East Sixty and forty-seven hundredths feet (E. 60.47') of Lot Eleven (11) and the adjoining West Ten and fifty-three hundredths feet (W. 10.53') of Lot Twelve (12), in Block Three (3), of WEST EDGEMONT, an addition in Harris County, Texas; according to the map or plat thereof, recorded in Volume 572, Page 155, of the Deed Records of Harris County, Texas.

The East Seventy feet (E. 70.00') of Lot Twelve (12) in Block Three (3), of WEST EDGEMONT, an addition in Harris County, Texas; according to the map or plat thereof, recorded in Volume 572, Page 155, of the Deed Records of Harris County, Texas.

BLOCK FOUR (4):

Lot One (1), and the adjoining Forty-Five feet (45') of Lot Two (2) in Block Four (4), of WEST EDGEMONT, an addition in Harris County, Texas; according to the map or plat thereof, recorded in Volume 572, Page 155, of the Deed Records of Harris County, Texas.

The West Thirty feet (W. 30') of Lot Two (2), and the adjoining East Seventy feet (E. 70') of Lot Three (3) in Block Four (4), of WEST EDGEMONT, an addition in Harris County, Texas; according to the map or plat thereof, recorded in Volume 572, Page 155, of the Deed Records of Harris County, Texas.

All of Lot Four (4), and the adjoining West five feet (W. 5') of Lot Three (3), both in Block Four (4), of WEST EDGEMONT, an addition in Harris County, Texas; according to the map or plat thereof, recorded in Volume 572, Page 2, of the Deed Records of Harris County, Texas.

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Lot Five (5), in Block Four (4), of WEST EDGEMONT, an addition in Harris County, Texas; according to the map or plat thereof, recorded in Volume 572, Page 155, of the Deed Records of Harris County, Texas; save and except the reas seven and one-half (7.5) feet thereof as dedicated to the City of Houston by instrument recorded in Volume 1971, Page 163 of the Deed Records of Harris County, Texas.

All of Lot Six (6), and the adjoining West Thirty feet (W. 30') of Lot Seven (7), in Block Four (4), of WEST EDGEMONT, an addition in Harris County, Texas; according to the map or plat thereof, recorded in Volume 572, Page 155, of the Deed Records of Harris County, Texas; save and except the rear seven and one-half (7.5) feet conveyed to the City of Houston by instrument recorded in Volume 1971, Page 163 of the Deed Records of Harris County, Texas.

The East forty-five feet (E. 45') of Lot Seven (7) and the adjoining West sixty feet (W. 60') of Lot Eight (8), in Block Four (4), of WEST EDGEMONT, an addition in Harris County, Texas; according to the map or plat thereof, recorded in Volume 572, Page 155, of the Deed Records of Harris County, Texas.

Lot Nine (9) and the adjoining East fifteen feet (E.15') of Lot Eight (8), in Block Four (4), of WEST EDGEMONT, an addition in Harris County, Texas; according to the map or plat thereof, recorded in Volume 572, Page 155, of the Deed Records of Harris County, Texas.

Lot Ten (10), in Block Four (4), of WEST EDGEMONT, an addition in Harris County, Texas; according to the map or plat thereof, recorded in Volume 572, Page 155, of the Deed Records of Harris County, Texas.

BLOCK FIVE (5):

Lots One (1), Twelve (12), and the adjoining East one-half (E. ½) of Lot Two (2), in Block Five (5), of WEST EDGEMONT, an addition in Harris County, Texas; according to the map or plat thereof, recorded in Volume 572, Page 155, of the Deed Records of Harris County, Texas.

Twenty-One Thousand Six Hundred Six and ninety-six hundredths (21,606.96) square feet being a part of Lots Two (2) and Four (4) and all of Lot Three (3), in Block Five (5), of WEST EDGEMONT, an addition in Harris County, Texas; according to the map or plat thereof, recorded in Volume 572, Page 155, of the Deed Records of Harris County, Texas.

The East Fifty feet (E. 50') of Lot Seven (7), in Block One (1) of Ormond Place, an addition in Harris County, Texas, according to the map or plat thereof recorded in Volume 6, Page 43, of the Deed Records of Harris County, Texas, and the adjoining West Thirty-Two and seventy-five hundredths feet (W. 32.75') of Lot Four (4) in Block Five (5), of WEST EDGEMONT, an addition in Harris County, Texas; according to the map or plat thereof, recorded in Volume 572, Page 155, of the Deed Records of Harris County, Texas.

EXHIBIT "B"

AMENDED RESTRICTIONS AND PROTECTIVE COVENANTS WEST EDGEMONT ADDITION CITY OF HOUSTON, TEXAS

STATE OF TEXAS \$

\$ KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS:

COUNTY OF HARRIS \$

WHEREAS, West Edgemont is the name of a recorded residential subdivision in the City of Houston, Harris County, Texas, according to plat thereof, filed in the office of the County Clerk, Harris County, Texas, on the 26th day of March, 1924, under Clerk's File No. 145,495, as subsequently modified by the following instruments filed in the office of the County Clerk, Harris County, Texas on the dates and under the references indicated as follows:

(1) that certain instrument entitled "Restrictions", recorded on October 22, 1970, in Volume 8188, Page 220, et seq., in County Clerk's File No. D202410, of the Deed Records of Harris County, Texas, which imposed various covenants, conditions and restrictions upon the properties described as follows:

Block 3, Lots 8-12, Block 4, Lots 1-10, and Block 5, Lots 12, 1, and the East 37.5 feet of Lot 2, in West Edgemont, an addition in Houston, Harris County, Texas, according to plat thereof, filed in the office of the County Clerk, Harris County, Texas, on the 26th day of March, 1924, under Clerk's File No. 145495, and

(2): those certain instruments entitled, recorded and imposing various covenants, conditions and restrictions upon additional properties, all as described on Annex A attached hereto; and

WHEREAS, a portion of West Edgemont is burdened by the above described existing covenants, conditions and restrictions having an effective date of October 22, 1970 (such portion, the "Subdivision");

WHEREAS, to protect the quality of life, property values and the established residential character within the Subdivision, the undersigned Property Owners, each of whom owns record title to property within the Subdivision, and being the owners of at least seventy-five percent (75%) of the real property within the Subdivision, desire to amend the existing covenants, conditions and restrictions to restrict the use and development of all of the properties within the Subdivision to insure that it will continue to be a high-quality restricted residential district of single-family Residential Dwellings; and

WHEREAS, Edgemont Civic Association (the "Association"), a non-profit corporation, incorporated under the laws of the State of Texas, effective on January 12, 1971, established as a property owners' association as defined in Chapter 204 of the Texas Property Code, having jurisdiction over the Subdivision, has approved and circulated this amendment for the purpose of amending the existing covenants, conditions and restrictions in the manner provided in Sections 204.005 and 204.008 of the Texas Property Code; and

WHEREAS, the Association has notified all record owners of real property within the Subdivision in writing of the proposal of these Restrictions in accordance with the requirements of Section 204.005 of the Texas Property Code; and

WHEREAS, the Association is also established as a property owners' association having jurisdiction over a portion of Edgemont, a recorded residential subdivision in the City of Houston, Harris County, Texas, according to plat thereof filed in the office of the County Clerk, Harris County, Texas, on the 1st day of June, 1923, under Clerk's File No. 118,114, as subsequently modified (such portion, "Edgemont");

NOW, THEREFORE, in order to modify and amend the existing covenants, conditions and restrictions, the undersigned Property Owners, being the owners of at least seventy-five percent (75%) of the real property within the Subdivision, hereby adopt the following covenants, conditions and restrictions (these "Restrictions") of their respective Homesites and, to the fullest extent permitted by law, the Subdivision, all in accordance with the provisions of the Texas Property Code, as amended.

(1) <u>Definitions</u>:

As used herein, the terms set forth below shall have the following meanings:

- (A) "Architectural Committee" has the meaning given to it in Section (19)(B)(v).
- (B) "Association" has the meaning given to it in the Recitals.
- (C) "Beneficiaries" has the meaning given to it in Section (2).
- (D) "Blockface" means one side of a street, from one street intersection to an adjacent street intersection.
- (E) "Board of Directors" means the Board of Directors of the Association.
- (F) "Edgemont Handbook" has the meaning given to it in Section (16)(D).
- (G) "Effective Date" means the date this document is filed for record in Harris County, Texas, having been properly executed by the requisite owners of real property in the Subdivision.
- (H) "Front Building Line" has the meaning given to it in Section (18)(A).
- (I) "Homesite" means, as the case may be, a Platted Lot, Platted Lots, a portion of a Platted Lot or Platted Lots or any combination of the above that are contiguous and on which a single Residential Dwelling is existing as of the Effective Date, or upon which a Residential Dwelling is permitted by these Restrictions to be built thereafter.
- (J) "Parking Structure" means any structure that provides covered parking for one or more automobiles, whether or not enclosed and whether or not constituting a part of another structure. For example, and without limitation, any garage, carport, porte cochère, garage apartment, living space with parking area below, or similar structure is a Parking Structure.

- (K) "Platted Lot" means a lot as identified on the original plat describing West Edgemont filed in the office of the County Clerk, Harris County, Texas, on the 26th day of March, 1924, under Clerk's File No. 145,495 (and, as to any additional real property bound by these Restrictions, any lot as identified in the original plat thereof filed in the office of the County Clerk, Harris County, Texas).
- (L) "Political Signs" has the meaning given to it in Section (9)(C).
- (M) "Property Owner" means an owner of real property within the Subdivision (and any additional real property bound by these Restrictions), including without limitation any heirs, devisees, executors, successors and assigns of such owner, and any person that, at any time, in question, is a successive owner of real property within the Subdivision (and any additional real property bound by these Restrictions).
- (N) "Residential Dwelling" means the primary house, and porches, porte cochères, steps, other projections and every other permanent part of the building, except roofs.
- (O) "Restrictions" has the meaning given to it in the Recitals.
- (P) "Side Building Line" has the meaning given to it in Section (18)(B).
- (Q) "Side Street Building Line" has the meaning given to it in Section (18)(C).
- (R) "Subdivision" and "Edgemont" have the meanings given to them in the Recitals.

(2) <u>Beneficiaries and Enforcement:</u>

These Restrictions shall constitute covenants running with the land, binding on all Property Owners, and shall inure to the benefit of each and all of the Property Owners of real property located in the Subdivision (and any additional real property bound by these Restrictions), and to each purchaser of land in the Subdivision (and any additional real property bound by these Restrictions) and their heirs, devisees, administrators, executors, successors and assigns, and to the Association (the "Beneficiaries"). Any one of said Beneficiaries, or the Association, shall have the right to enforce these Restrictions by the prosecution of any proceedings in court or in equity against any person, firm or corporation violating or attempting to violate the same, to require remediation of any such violation or enjoin the attempted or continued violation, and shall also be entitled to any damages, attorney's fees, interest and other remedies available at law or in equity for any such violations, provided, that no person or corporation shall be liable for breach of these Restrictions except in respect to breaches occurring or committed during its, his or their ownership of the property involved in such breach.

(3) <u>Grandfather Clause and Pre-existing Variances:</u>

Each Property Owner, as well as the Association, hereby acknowledges and agrees that, anything contained herein to the contrary notwithstanding:

- (A) It is not the intention of the Association, the Property Owners or of these Restrictions that any Property Owner be required to change, alter, remove or relocate any existing structures or other improvements of any kind located within the Subdivision on the Effective Date as a result of these Restrictions becoming effective; but that such existing structures or other improvements and each Homesite existing on the Effective Date shall be grandfathered and shall not be required to be changed in any manner at any time;
- (B) Any circumstances and conditions existing, as of the Effective Date, with respect to any Homesite that are not in compliance with these Restrictions are hereby approved;

- (C) All existing structures or other improvements located within the Subdivision as of the Effective Date, and any repair or interior renovation thereof following the Effective Date that does not alter the form, exterior building materials, finishes or colors, dimensions or location of such existing structures or other improvements, are exempt from these restrictions and will not be, at any time, considered in violation of any provisions contained herein; and
- (D) All structures or other improvements contemplated by plans that have been approved by the Association (including by the Board of Directors or the Architectural Committee) prior to the Effective Date may be constructed and completed after the Effective Date in accordance with such plans (or any revisions thereto that may be so approved by the Association after the Effective Date) and shall thereafter be grandfathered and treated for all purposes as if such structures or other improvements had existed on the Effective Date.

(4) Term; Amendment:

These Restrictions shall run with the land and shall be binding on all Property Owners and the Homesites and Platted Lots of all Property Owners and all persons claiming under said Property Owners (and on the owners of any additional real property bound by these Restrictions and on such additional real property) until January 1, 2018, after which time said Restrictions shall be automatically extended for successive periods of ten (10) years unless an instrument signed by Property Owners representing at least seventy-five percent (75%) of the Homesites bound by these Restrictions (including all Homesites located in the Subdivision and on any additional real property that becomes bound by these Restrictions) is filed for record in Harris County, Texas, altering, rescinding or modifying said Restrictions in whole or in part, in which event these Restrictions will be altered, rescinded or modified as to all Homesites and Property Owners then subject to these Restrictions; provided, however, that no provision of these Restrictions that is expressly applicable to less than all of the Homesites bound by these Restrictions may be altered, rescinded or modified by an instrument so filed unless it is signed by Property

Owners representing at least seventy-five percent (75%) of the Homesites to which such provision is expressly applicable.

(5) <u>Granting of Variances</u>:

With respect to any Homesite, the Association shall have the authority to grant variances from the provisions of these Restrictions and any other architectural restrictions based upon circumstances such as topography, natural obstructions, aesthetics or other relevant considerations, including but not limited to the location of the Homesite, traffic issues, noise and security; provided, however, the Association shall have no authority to grant a variance from the provisions of these Restrictions relating to the use of a Homesite or the use of any Residential Dwelling or other improvement on a Homesite. Each variance must be approved by a majority vote of the Board of Directors and the terms and conditions of the variance, as well as a statement of the reason(s) for its issuance, must be set forth in a letter or other document executed by an authorized officer, director or agent of the Association. No variance shall operate to waive any provision of these Restrictions for any purpose except as to the particular property, the particular provision and the particular instance made the subject of the variance.

(6) Land Use and Building Type:

(A) Each Homesite and the buildings on the Homesite shall be used together for single-family residential purposes only. The term "residential purposes" as used herein means that the Homesite and the buildings on the Homesite shall be used by a single family as its dwelling place and residence and the term shall be deemed to prohibit, without limitation, the use of any Homesite for a duplex apartment, a duplex house, an apartment house, a boarding house, a hotel, a Parking Structure apartment used for rental or for any multi-family use or for any business, professional, religious, charitable or commercial activity of any type, unless the business, professional, religious, charitable or commercial activity is unobtrusive and merely incidental to the primary use of the Homesite and the buildings on the Homesite for single-family residential purposes. As used herein, the term "unobtrusive" means, without limitation, that there is no business,

professional, religious, charitable or commercial symbol, structure, logo, icon, flag or sign displayed on the Homesite, there are no related audio or visual displays (by any means) anywhere on the Homesite or on any vehicle parked on or at the Homesite, there are no clients or customers who go to the Homesite for any business, professional, religious, charitable or commercial related purpose of the Homesite owner on a regular basis, and the conduct of the business, professional, religious, charitable or commercial activity is not otherwise apparent by reason of noise, odor, vehicle and/or pedestrian traffic, or the like.

- (B) Any use of the buildings on a Homesite that involves the lease or any other arrangement whereby such buildings are occupied for a period less than six (6) consecutive months (including, but not limited to, the use of a building for corporate lodging) shall, for purposes of these Restrictions, be considered a prohibited business use of such building, not a single-family residential purpose, even though such building may be occupied by a single family.
- (C) No garage sale, rummage sale, estate sale, moving sale or similar type of activity is permitted on any Homesite, except that each family may have no more than one (1) sale of items owned by said family within each calendar year, and that no signs, flags, balloons or other visible indicators of such sale are permitted, and no sale items are visible from any street.
- (D) No garage apartment or outbuilding on a Homesite shall be used for residential purposes or as living quarters, except by persons working or engaged on the premises, or by one or more members of the family occupying the principal residence on that Homesite, or their relatives, or by a temporary guest. Under no circumstances may any garage apartment, outbuilding or quarters for domestic workers, guests or family members be leased or rented.

(7) Animals:

No livestock, fowl, reptile or exotic animal of any kind may be staked, pastured, cooped, caged or penned in the Subdivision (and any additional real property bound by these

Restrictions) other than generally recognized household pets. A reasonable number of recognized house or yard pets are permitted for each Homesite. No permitted pet is allowed to roam in the Subdivision (and any additional real property bound by these Restrictions), make an unusual amount of noise or odor or otherwise become an annoyance or nuisance to surrounding residents. Owners of permitted pets are required to clean up any defectation of or garbage scattered by such pet within the Subdivision (and any additional real property bound by these Restrictions) within a reasonable time. The Association, acting reasonably and in good faith, shall have the sole discretion to determine (i) whether an animal is a generally recognized house or yard pet, (ii) whether such animal is an annoyance or nuisance to surrounding residents, and (iii) whether the number of recognized house or yard pets on a Homesite is reasonable. In determining whether an animal is a generally recognized house or yard pet, the Association shall consider only what is a generally recognized house or yard pet in Harris County, Texas.

(8) Lawns:

Grass, weeds and vegetation on each Homesite shall be kept mowed and trimmed at regular intervals so as to maintain the same in a neat and attractive manner. The Association (following a Property Owner's prolonged absence or neglect) may at its option have the grass, weeds and vegetation cut when and as often as the same is necessary in its judgment, and have dead trees, shrubs, and plants and any refuse, trash, inoperable vehicles, or discarded unsightly items removed from the property, and such Property Owner shall pay for the cost of such work.

Lawn maintenance work and landscaping work that produces noise (such as work involving the use of motorized equipment) is not permitted at any time on a Sunday or a holiday. Lawn maintenance work and landscaping work that produces noise (such as work involving the use of motorized equipment) is permitted on any day that it is not a Sunday or a holiday, but not before 8:00 a.m. or after 5:00 p.m. For purposes hereof, a "holiday" means a holiday recognized as such by the City of Houston.

Lawn maintenance work and landscaping work that does not create noise (such as work not involving the use of motorized equipment) is permitted at any time.

(9) Signs:

Except as permitted herein or as required to be permitted by Texas or federal laws, no signs, billboards, posters, or advertising devices of any character shall be displayed on a Homesite or anywhere in the Subdivision (and any additional real property subject to these Restrictions) without the written consent of the Association, and such permission, if granted, shall be revocable at any time. Exceptions are as follows:

- (A) Signs indicating that a Residential Dwelling is protected by a guard or security service, if such signs are reasonable in size and in character in the opinion of the Association;
- (B) Signs notifying Property Owners relating to meetings or activities of or sponsored by the Association, or signs placed by the Association and approved markers indicating that a property is listed on a registry of historic places; and
- (C) "Political Signs" are defined as signs relating to a candidate or ballot item or advertising a political candidate or ballot item for an election, for which a vote may be cast in Precinct 40 of Harris County, Texas, or any succeeding voting district that contains any portion of the Subdivision (and any additional real property subject to these Restrictions). Political Signs are permitted only to the extent required to be permitted by Texas or federal laws from time to time in effect. Summaries of then current guidelines regarding Political Signs may be published by the Association in the Edgemont Handbook.
- (D) The Association may remove any signs, billboards, posters, painting or advertising devices of any character in violation of these Restrictions or displayed in violation of these Restrictions, without liability for trespassing, conversion or damages to the removed item, and the cost to remove the same shall be paid by the Property Owner on whose property such signs, billboards, posters, painting or advertising devices are located or who is responsible for placing such signs, billboards, posters, painting or advertising devices of any character.

(10) Yard Items:

- (A) Except as expressly permitted by Section (10)(B) or as otherwise provided herein or as otherwise approved in writing by the Association according to the procedures and standards set out herein, the following "restricted items" may not be permanently installed or permanently placed on any Homesite, between the adjacent street and the Front Building Line (or the adjacent street and the Side Street Building Line, in the case of corner Homesite), visible from the street:
 - (i) Any sports goal (including without limitation a portable basketball goal); play fort; play house; tree house; play structure or similar item of any kind (other than a movable plastic play fort, play house or other movable play structure); bench; swing set; slide; trampoline; skateboard ramp; tire swing; rope, chain or other swing; table; swimming pool or hot tub; other play equipment; or similar item of any nature. Play and sports equipment may be placed in the front and side yards of a Homesite, visible from a street, so long as the equipment is not permanently installed or permanently placed.
 - (ii) Sculpture, artwork or fountains to be installed on a Homesite nearer to the front property line than the Front Building Line or, if a corner Homesite, nearer to the side property line adjacent to a side street than the applicable Side Street Building Line, are permitted, only if the sculpture, artwork or fountain is not visible from a street adjacent to the Homesite. Sculpture, artwork or fountains located on a Homesite behind the Front Building Line (and the Side Street Building Line, in the case of a corner Homesite), are permitted whether or not the sculpture and artwork is visible from a street adjacent to the Homesite.
 - (iii) Any permanently installed restricted item described in this Section (10) that is located in the front or side yard of a Homesite visible from an adjacent street or in the rear yard of a Homesite nearer to the property line than the applicable building line as of the Effective Date, and which

complies with the Restrictions applicable to the Homesite prior to the Effective Date, is not required to be removed; provided that, if such restricted item is voluntarily removed by the Property Owner or occupant of the Homesite for any reason or becomes detached as the result of normal wear and tear or damage, such restricted item may not be replaced without compliance with these Restrictions.

- (iv) In the event of a dispute over whether a restricted item is a permanently installed restricted item, the Association shall have the authority to make the determination and its determination shall be conclusive and binding.
- (B) Notwithstanding the provisions of this Section (10) to the contrary, any Property Owner may at any time, erect, install or place on a Homesite in any area in which restricted items would otherwise be prohibited by the provisions in this Section (10):
 - (i) one (1) single seat child's rope, chain or other swing (excluding a tire swing);
 - (ii) one (1) small sculpture artwork or fountain, not to exceed four (4) feet in any dimension;
 - (iii) one (1) bench or bench swing, provided that the color(s) of the bench or swing and any rope, chain or other suspension material are compatible with the exterior color(s) of the Residential Dwelling on the Homesite; and
 - (iv) one flagpole of a reasonable height and location. The Association shall have the authority to determine whether the height and location of a flagpole is reasonable relative to the size of the Homesite and the Residential Dwelling.

(11) Mechanical Equipment:

- (A) Except as otherwise provided herein, any exterior heating, ventilating and airconditioning compressor unit, swimming pool equipment, mosquito or insect control device, generator, water filter or softener or other mechanical equipment that is installed or replaced after the Effective Date must provide sound attenuation that reduces the noise generated by the equipment to not more than the limit provided by any applicable City of Houston ordinance, measured from the nearest point at which a structure may be constructed (without variance) on the Homesite adjacent to the side or rear property line of the Homesite on which such heating, ventilating and air-conditioning compressor unit, swimming pool equipment, mosquito or insect control device, generator, water filter or softener or other mechanical equipment is to be installed or replaced. Except as otherwise provided in this paragraph, all exterior heating, ventilating and air-conditioning compressor units, swimming pool equipment, mosquito or insect control device, generator, water filter or softener or other mechanical equipment installed or replaced after the Effective Date must be located at ground level (or at the lowest elevation consistent with any applicable flood control regulations) and must be screened from view from other Homesites, and from any street adjacent to the Homesite, by landscaping or approved fencing.
- (B) Except as otherwise provided herein, no window or wall air-conditioning units are permitted in any Residential Dwelling, Parking Structure, outbuilding or other improvement, if such air-conditioning unit is visible from any street. If, as of the Effective Date, a window or wall air-conditioning unit exists in a Residential Dwelling, Parking Structure, outbuilding or other improvement, the Property Owner of the Homesite on which the window or wall air-conditioning unit exists shall not be required to remove the window or wall air-conditioning unit. Further, in the event the window or wall air-conditioning unit requires replacement, the unit may be replaced with a new window or wall air-conditioning unit if, and only if: (i) the replacement unit is substantially similar to the previously existing unit in terms of size and capacity; (ii) the replacement unit is installed in the same

location as the previously existing unit, unless the Association agrees in writing to allow the replacement unit to be relocated; and (iii) the replacement unit meets the sound requirements herein for all exterior air conditioning equipment.

(12) Vehicles:

- (A) No mobile home or trailer, motor home, horse trailer, vehicle transport trailer, bus, recreational vehicle, boat, jet ski or trailer of any kind shall be stored on any Homesite visible from any street adjoining such Homesite or visible from any adjacent Homesite at ground level. A mobile home or trailer, motor home, horse trailer, vehicle transport trailer, bus, recreational vehicle, boat, jet ski or trailer is stored on a Homesite if it is parked on the street in front of such Homesite or on the Homesite and visible from a street adjoining such Homesite or visible at ground level from any adjacent Homesite for more than forty-eight (48) consecutive hours or if it is parked on the street in front of such Homesite or on the Homesite visible from an adjoining street or visible at ground level from any adjacent Homesite for any length of time during a day for more than five (5) days in any calendar month.
- (B) No vehicle owned, leased or otherwise in the possession of a person residing on a Homesite shall be parked, kept or stored in the street in front of the Homesite or, if a corner Homesite, in the side street adjacent to the Homesite, except on a temporary basis (which means that the vehicle is used on a day-to-day basis outside the Subdivision). Further, a vehicle may be parked in the street on a temporary basis only if such vehicle is operable and has all requisite licenses and permits. This paragraph does not apply to a construction vehicle parked on a Homesite or in the street in front of a Homesite on a regular basis during the period in which construction work on the Homesite is being performed. No inoperable vehicle shall be parked, kept or stored on a Homesite if visible from another Homesite or from any street in the Subdivision. For purposes of this paragraph, a vehicle shall be deemed to be inoperable if: (i) it does not display all current and necessary licenses and permits; (ii) it does not have fully inflated

tires; (iii) it is on a jack, blocks or the like; or (iv) it is otherwise incapable of being legally operated on a public street or right-of-way. No motorcycle, dirt bike, four-wheeler, golf cart or the like shall be parked on any unpaved portion of a Homesite or kept or stored on a Homesite if visible from another Homesite or from any street in the Subdivision except a four-wheeler, golf cart or the like used in conjunction with the maintenance of a Homesite and then only during the period that maintenance work is being performed. No commercial vehicle shall be parked, kept or stored in a location visible from a street adjoining a Homesite, except a vehicle operated by a third-party service provider and then only during the period that services are being provided on the Homesite. For purposes of this paragraph, a vehicle shall be deemed to be a commercial vehicle if it has more than two axles, if it has been adapted or modified for any business or commercial use, or if it displays any type of business or commercial sign, symbol, icon or logo. No pick-up truck or sports utility vehicle which has been substantially modified shall be parked or kept on a Homesite visible from any adjacent street or any adjacent Homesite at ground level for a period in excess of forty-eight (48) consecutive hours. For purposes hereof, a pick-up truck or sports utility vehicle has been substantially modified if the height of the vehicle exceeds the height of the vehicle as originally manufactured by more than twelve (12) inches or the exterior of the vehicle is equipped with apparatus for recreational or other use (such as, by way of example and not in limitation, apparatus for hunting) and the apparatus is readily visible.

(13) Paving, Walkways and Driveways:

Architectural or construction plans illustrating the location of all paving, walkways and driveways proposed to be constructed in the front yard of a Homesite and, if a corner Homesite, the side yard of the Homesite adjacent to the street, must be submitted to the Board of Directors with a copy to the Architectural Committee (if then so established), and approved in writing by the Association prior to installation or construction. The plans must include the dimensions of each walkway and driveway, the type and color of materials to be used in construction, and a plan for protection of significant trees (defined

below) in the vicinity of the proposed paving. The Association shall have the authority to disapprove (i) a proposed driveway that crosses the front (street) property line of the Homesite at more than one location or that is greater than twelve (12) feet wide where it crosses the front (street) property line of the Homesite, and (ii) a project involving a proposed walkway or driveway if the Association determines (x) that the design or type or color of materials proposed to be used in the construction of the walkway or driveway is not compatible with the predominant types of walkways and driveways in the Subdivision, or (y) that the walkway or driveway is not compatible with the buildings, Parking Structure and/or appurtenant improvements constructed or to be constructed on the Homesite, or (z) that the proposed project does not protect nearby significant trees. No walkway or driveway that exists on a Homesite as of the Effective Date is required to be removed or modified. If any new paving, walkways and driveways are constructed but are not in substantial compliance with the plans as submitted, the Association may remove or modify such paving, walkways and driveways to substantially comply with the drawing as submitted. If an owner of a walkway or driveway that existed prior to the Effective Date desires to repair or replace such walkway or driveway, the walkway or driveway may be repaired or replaced so long as the walkway or driveway, as repaired or replaced, is substantially similar to the previously existing walkway or driveway in terms of design and type and color of materials and the location of the walkway or driveway is not changed, unless permission of the Association is granted to make changes. In considering the approval of proposed new construction, repairs to or replacement of existing walkways or driveways, the Association shall consider the effect that such construction will have on the health and longevity of any significant trees that are near to the construction area.

(14) Tree Protection:

The residents of the Subdivision, at their own expense and efforts, have planted, nurtured and maintained rows of oak trees on the esplanades and on the city easements, resulting in a canopy of oaks that contributes in large part to the quality of life and to the property value of homes. It is an objective of these Restrictions to enhance the value of the Subdivision (and any additional real property bound by these Restrictions) by preserving

the trees within the Subdivision (and any additional real property bound by these Restrictions) as much as is reasonably possible. To assist in fulfilling this objective, all architectural or construction plans required to be submitted by these Restrictions to the Board of Directors and Architectural Committee for the construction of a new Residential Dwelling on a Homesite or an addition to an existing Residential Dwelling or other improvement on a Homesite must identify all significant trees to be removed from the Homesite or from the city easement between the sidewalk and the curb ("street trees"). If a "significant tree", defined as a living tree having a caliper of six (6) inches or more (measured twelve (12) inches above grade), and which is located nearer to the front property line than the Front Building Line or, if a corner Homesite, nearer to the side property line adjacent to the side street than the applicable Side Street Building Line, is removed from a Homesite in conjunction with the construction of a new Residential Dwelling or any addition to an existing Residential Dwelling or other improvement on a Homesite, the Association may, in its discretion, require the owner of the Homesite to replace the tree with a hardwood tree or other type of tree approved by it in writing. A replacement tree must have a caliper of at least six (6) inches measured twelve (12) inches above grade and otherwise be proportionate in height and size given its type. No street tree or tree growing within the esplanade may be removed by any person unless they first obtain a permit authorizing such removal as issued by the City of Houston, in which case the extracted tree shall be replaced by an oak tree, first approved by the Association.

(15) Architectural Review Standards:

On February 22, 2002, the majority of the homes in Edgemont and West Edgemont on North and South Boulevards were listed on the National Register of Historic Places in Texas, with the United States Department of the Interior, Reference Number 02000117, as part of the Boulevard Oaks Historic District of Houston, Texas. This designation and the historical character of said subdivisions contribute in large part to the quality of life and to the property value of the homes in the Subdivision. Compatibility of style in the preservation and restoration of existing buildings and for construction of new Residential Dwellings in the Subdivision (and any additional real property bound by these

Restrictions) is of utmost importance to maintain the designation and historical character of said area and the surrounding subdivisions. The Subdivision has a significant historical presence in the City of Houston. Much of the historical presence has to do with its original scheme of development and the architectural styles of existing Residential Dwellings. By virtue of these Restrictions, the Property Owners in the Subdivision acknowledge that the Association is charged with the responsibility of preserving the historical integrity of the Subdivision (and any additional real property bound by these Restrictions) and the continuity of architectural styles of Residential Dwellings and other improvements proposed to be constructed on Homesites. After the Effective Date, in addition to the other rights vested by these Restrictions in the Association relating to the approval of plans, the architectural style, exterior building materials, finishes and colors, and scale of any proposed Residential Dwelling, Parking Structure or other appurtenant improvements to be constructed or changed (including, without limitation, any addition to, or change of existing exterior building materials, finishes or colors of, any then existing Residential Dwelling, Parking Structure or other appurtenant improvements) on a Homesite must be set forth in written plans submitted to and approved by the Association prior to the commencement of construction. The Property Owner shall submit to the Board of Directors, with copy to the Architectural Committee (if then so established), a site plan and building plans for any proposed Residential Dwelling, Parking Structure or other appurtenant improvements which clearly indicate the location and illustrate the front, side and rear elevations, and the exterior dimensions and exterior building materials, finishes and colors, of all buildings and appurtenant improvements. The Association shall have the authority to disapprove any such proposed Residential Dwelling, Parking Structure and/or appurtenant improvement if the Association determines that the architectural style, exterior building materials, finishes and colors, or scale would not be compatible with the provisions contained herein or with the predominant architectural styles, exterior building materials, finishes and colors, and scale of Residential Dwellings, Parking Structures and appurtenant improvements in the Subdivision. Any new Residential Dwelling, Parking Structure or other appurtenant improvement that is determined by the Association to be of the same style and scale as the Residential Dwelling, Parking Structure or other appurtenant improvement it would replace on a particular Homesite shall be deemed to be compatible with the predominant architectural style and scale of the Subdivision. The Property Owners do not envision homogenization of the Subdivision (and any additional real property bound by these Restrictions), but the protection of the Subdivision (and any additional real property bound by these Restrictions) from over-scaled, incongruous and stylistically incompatible structures that would diminish the value of the historic designation and stylistic character of the Subdivision (and any additional real property bound by these Restrictions).

(16) <u>Building and Construction Restrictions</u>:

- (A) Residential Dwellings constructed shall have a minimum cost which, as shall be subject to determination by the Association acting through the Board of Directors, will result in a structure maintaining the quality and character of the Subdivision (and any additional real property bound by these Restrictions). When proposed building plans have been submitted for approval and accepted as complete by the Association, a decision shall be rendered by the Association within thirty (30) days thereafter, and if approval is not granted within that time the prospective builder shall be entitled to have a special meeting before the Board of Directors called by the President of the Board of Directors to consider the proposed building plan so that a total of not more than forty-five (45) days shall have elapsed from the time of submission of the proposed building plans to a final decision by the Association.
- (B) Any significant changes to submitted building plans must be submitted to the Board of Directors, with a copy to the Architectural Committee (if then so established), and approved by the Association before construction may begin or continue. The time allowed for a decision by the Association shall run from the date that such changes to the submitted building plans are received by the Association.
- (C) Before any Property Owner begins a repair, remodeling, maintenance or any other type of construction project, such Property Owner shall cause all of its contractors, subcontractors, agents and workmen to protect street trees,

esplanades, esplanade trees, esplanade sprinkler systems, curbs and street paving, alley structures, alley paving, trees or other ornamental vegetation growing near streets, alleys, sidewalks, driveways, drainage structures and street lights during the period of construction. Such Property Owner will be responsible for all damage to the items named in this paragraph occurring during the construction period on public or private areas adjacent to the Property Owner's property, on the alley serving the Property Owner's property and on the esplanade across the street from the Property Owner's property. It will not be necessary for the Association to prove that any such damage resulted from the Property Owner's contractors. Any damage occurring during the construction period will be presumed to have been caused as a result of the construction and the Property Owner will have the burden of proof that such Property Owner or his contractor was not responsible for the damage. The esplanade across from the Homesite must be protected with an appropriate temporary construction fence and esplanade space shall not be used for any purpose related to private construction, with the exception of construction as necessary for the provision of any necessary private water, gas or electric line connections. Any damage done to the curb, electric lines, water lines, gas lines, irrigation system, or street or alley paving in connection with such construction must be restored to its original condition, or, if applicable, to City of Houston standards at the Property Owner's expense. Any excavations in streets or alleys must be filled with appropriate material such as cement stabilized shell and paving must match the surrounding material both as to composition, strength, color and thickness. Trimming, cutting limbs from, or removal of any trees, bushes or other vegetation growing into an alley on property not owned by the Property Owner for construction access in an alley may not be undertaken without the prior written consent of the Association. Failure to obtain written consent of the Association prior to cutting such vegetation will subject the Property Owner to liability for damages for the destroyed vegetation and restoration thereof.

(D) From time to time the Association may cause a written document to be prepared, containing the current architectural standards and construction guidelines as well as explanation and interpretation thereof (the "Edgemont Handbook"). When

available, the Edgemont Handbook may be distributed to each Property Owner, and be made available to the Property Owners who request the same from the Secretary of the Association. The Edgemont Handbook will serve to help provide guidance to all Property Owners regarding the implementation and interpretation of applicable architectural standards and construction guidelines contained in these Restrictions. If there is any conflict between these Restrictions and the Edgemont Handbook, the provisions of these Restrictions shall control.

- (E) Any construction on a Homesite, in addition to the other requirements addressed in these Restrictions, shall be undertaken in accordance with the following:
 - (i) No outdoor construction producing noise is permitted before 7 a.m. Central Time or after 6 p.m. Central Time for the days Monday through Saturday (other than holidays); no outdoor construction producing noise is permitted at any time on Sundays or holidays without the prior written consent of the Association. For purposes hereof, "holiday" means any holiday recognized as such by the City of Houston.
 - (ii) No construction office, dumpster, portable toilet or trailer shall be moved onto any Homesite without the prior written consent of the Association as to size, color and location.
 - (iii) Other than as required by City ordinances or other applicable laws, no signage is permitted on a construction office, dumpster, portable toilet, trailer or any other part of a Homesite if in relation to a construction project.
 - (iv) No radio or sound player of any kind projecting sound is permitted outdoors on a construction project. This does not prohibit sound players audible solely through earphones.
 - (v) A construction office, dumpster, portable toilet or trailer must be removed from the Homesite within thirty (30) days of the date of substantial completion of the Residential Dwelling or other improvement for which

the construction office, dumpster, portable toilet or trailer was moved onto the Homesite.

- (vi) For purposes hereof, the date of substantial completion of a Residential Dwelling or other improvement shall be deemed to be the earlier of either (i) the date substantial completion of the Residential Dwelling or other improvement is achieved as defined by the American Institute of Architects or (ii) the date such Residential Dwelling or improvement is capable of being used for its intended purpose.
- (vii) For purposes hereof, construction of a Residential Dwelling or other improvement is deemed to commence on the date that any clearing of existing improvements, removal of all or parts of walls or roofs of existing improvements, or excavation on the Homesite occurs or any construction equipment and/or materials are moved onto or delivered to the Homesite, whichever is earlier.
- (viii) One (1) portable toilet is permitted on a Homesite during the construction of a Residential Dwelling or other improvement on a Homesite. The portable toilet must be located as far from the front property line of the Homesite as possible and must be regularly serviced. The portable toilet must be screened from view in a reasonable manner determined to be appropriate by the Association. A portable toilet shall not be moved onto a Homesite more than seven (7) days prior to the date that construction commences.
- (ix) During the construction of a Residential Dwelling or other improvement on a Homesite, the Property Owner of such Homesite shall place, or cause such Property Owner's contractor to place, at least one trash receptacle on the Homesite. All trash and debris shall be placed in the receptacle by the Property Owner or his contractor, so that trash and debris is not scattered on the Homesite or onto a street or another Homesite and is not visible from a street adjoining the Homesite. No trash or debris may be discarded

into storm sewers. The Property Owner of such Homesite and such Property Owner's contractor are also required to regularly empty and maintain the trash receptacle and to assure that trash and debris never rise above the rim of the trash receptacle. The trash receptacle shall be located on the Homesite at the least visible location that still enables the trash receptacle to be regularly emptied. No concrete, chemical or paint washing is permitted into storm sewers or in tree root zones.

(x) The Property Owner shall direct that (i) all deliveries related to construction activities on the Property Owner's Homesite shall be made in the smallest vehicle(s) possible, (ii) construction activities shall utilize as few parking spaces on the streets as reasonably necessary to conduct construction activities and (iii) all contractors and subcontractors shall refrain from entering and/or using the real and personal property (including without limitation water and electricity) of other Property Owners. Property Owners are responsible for assuring that their contractors and all subcontractors comply with the requirements of this Section (16).

(17) Fences, Walls and Gates:

(A) Prior to erecting a fence, wall or gate on a Homesite, the owner of the Homesite shall submit to the Board of Directors, with a copy to the Architectural Committee (if then so established), a request for approval of the proposed fence, wall or gate with information regarding the location, height and design of the fence, wall or gate and the type and color of the materials to be used in the construction of the fence, wall or gate. Construction of such proposed fence, wall or gate shall not commence until the owner has received the Association's written approval of the fence, wall or gate. The Association shall have the authority to approve the proposed fence, wall or gate if it complies with applicable setbacks, height restrictions or any other applicable provisions in the Restrictions relating to fences, walls or gates and if it is reasonably determined by the Association that

the proposed fence, wall or gate is compatible with the overall design of homes and related improvements in the Subdivision.

- (B) Except as otherwise expressly permitted in the Restrictions, no fence or wall shall, without variance, be located nearer to the front property line of a Homesite than the Front Building Line of the Residential Dwelling on the Homesite. On corners, no fence or wall may be erected nearer than two (2) feet to the property line on the side street. A retaining wall no more than two (2) feet tall shall be permitted forward of the Front Building Line, with approval of the Association.
- (C) No fence, wall or gate shall be more than nine (9) feet in height.
- (D) No fence, wall or gate shall be constructed with materials that are not compatible with the materials commonly used for fences, walls or gates in Subdivision. Fence and wall materials shall be generally limited to wood, iron, stone and brick or a similar masonry material, unless a variance is granted for other materials. Cinder blocks and similar masonry units may be used in the construction of a fence or wall, provided that, if cinder blocks and similar masonry units are visible from a street or another Homesite, a finish material must be applied to the cinder blocks or similar masonry units to conceal their existence. The type and color of the finish material must be approved by the Association prior to application. Gates shall be generally limited to wood and/or iron, unless a variance is granted for other materials. Each fence, wall or gate that is adjacent to a street is required to have a finished side facing the street; in the case of wood fences, this paragraph prohibits all rails or other supports from being visible from a street.
- (E) No fence, wall or gate shall be constructed with barbed wire, razor wire, or any type of electric fence and no barbed wire, razor wire or electric fence shall be attached to any fence, wall, hedge or gate. An "electric fence" is a barrier that uses painful or even lethal electric shocks to deter animals or people from crossing a boundary. This paragraph does not prohibit the installation of an "invisible" fence that controls pets through underground electrical wiring.

(18) Building Line, Lot Size, Height and Similar Restrictions:

- (A) "Front Building Line" is defined as the minimum distance from the front (street) property line to the permitted location of the Residential Dwelling applicable to a Homesite, depending on its location. Under this definition, no new Residential Dwelling, and no addition to a Residential Dwelling, shall be located on a Homesite nearer to the front (street) property line than the nearer of:
 - on any Homesite, the Residential Dwelling on such Homesite as it existed on the Effective Date, or
 - (ii) on a Homesite fronting on Bissonnet or Dunlavy, twenty-five (25) feet from the front (street) property line, or
 - (iii) on a Homesite fronting on North or South Boulevard, the same distance from its front property line as an immediately adjacent Residential Dwelling that is on the same Blockface and subject to these Restrictions, as it existed on the Effective Date.

The provisions of Section (18)(A)(i) shall be construed so as to prevent construction of a major elevation or façade of a new Residential Dwelling or addition to a Residential Dwelling nearer to a front property line than a major front elevation or façade of the Residential Dwelling as it existed on the Effective Date.

The provisions of Section (18)(A)(iii) shall be construed so as to prevent construction of a major elevation or façade of a new residential dwelling or addition to a Residential Dwelling nearer to a front property line than a major front elevation or façade of an immediately adjacent Residential Dwelling as it existed on the Effective Date.

In connection with construction of a new Residential Dwelling or addition to a Residential Dwelling, the provisions of Sections (18)(A) shall be construed so as to permit construction of new porches, steps or other projections nearer to the

front (street) property line than the relevant major front elevation or façade provided that such porches, steps or other projections are determined by the Association to be appropriate in scale and nonobtrusive.

In addition to any other applicable provisions of these Restrictions: (x) any Parking Structure that is not an integral part of the Residential Dwelling shall be constructed at the rear of the Homesite, as approved by the Association; and (y) any Parking Structure that is an integral part of the Residential Dwelling shall be constructed at the rear of the Residential Dwelling, as approved by the Association.

- (B) "Side Building Line" is defined as the minimum distance from the side property line to the permitted location of the Residential Dwelling or Parking Structure applicable to a Homesite, depending on its location. Under this definition, no new Residential Dwelling or Parking Structure, and no addition to a Residential Dwelling or Parking Structure, shall be located on a Homesite nearer to either side property line than the nearer of:
 - (i) as to a Residential Dwelling or addition to a Residential Dwelling on a Homesite fronting on North or South Boulevard and having a frontage of more than eighty (80) feet on North or South Boulevard, ten (10) feet from either side property line of such Homesite, or
 - (ii) as to a Residential Dwelling or addition to a Residential Dwelling on a Homesite fronting on North or South Boulevard and having a frontage of eighty (80) feet or less on North or South Boulevard, five (5) feet from either side property line of such Homesite; provided, however, that any new Residential Dwelling constructed after the Effective Date shall be constructed at least ten (10) feet from one (1) side property line and at least five (5) feet from the other side property line of such Homesite, or

- (iii) as to a Residential Dwelling or addition to a Residential Dwelling on a Homesite fronting on Bissonnet, five (5) feet from either side property line of such Homesite, or
- (iv) as to a Parking Structure or other outbuilding on a Homesite: (x) five (5) feet from either side property line of such Homesite if such Parking Structure is not an integral part of the Residential Dwelling; and (y) the Side Building Line applicable to the Residential Dwelling if such Parking Structure is an integral part of the Residential Dwelling.

The provisions of Section (18)(B) shall be construed so as to prevent construction of a major side elevation or façade of a new Residential Dwelling or addition to a Residential Dwelling nearer to a side property line than the applicable Side Building Line.

In connection with construction of a new Residential Dwelling or addition to a Residential Dwelling, the provisions of Section (18)(B) shall be construed so as to permit construction of new porches, steps or other projections nearer to the side property line than the relevant major side elevation or façade provided that such porches, steps or other projections are determined by the Association to be appropriate in scale and nonobtrusive.

- (C) "Side Street Building Line" is defined as the minimum distance, on any corner Homesite, from the side street property line to the permitted location of the Residential Dwelling, Parking Structure or other outbuilding applicable to a Homesite. Under this definition, no new Residential Dwelling, Parking Structure or other outbuilding, and no addition to a Residential Dwelling, Parking Structure or other outbuilding, shall be located on a Homesite nearer to any side street property line than the nearer of:
 - (i) the Residential Dwelling, Parking Structure or other outbuilding, as applicable, on such Homesite as it existed on the Effective Date, or
 - (ii) twenty (20) feet from any side street property line.

The provisions of Section (18)(C) shall be construed so as to prevent construction of a major elevation or façade of a new Residential Dwelling, Parking Structure or other outbuilding, or addition to a Residential Dwelling, Parking Structure or other outbuilding, nearer to a side street property line than a major side elevation or façade of the Residential Dwelling, Parking Structure or other outbuilding as it existed on the Effective Date.

In connection with construction of a new Residential Dwelling or addition to a Residential Dwelling, the provisions of Section (18)(C) shall be construed so as to permit construction of new porches, steps or other projections nearer to the side street property line than the relevant major side elevation or façade provided that such porches, steps or other projections are determined by the Association to be appropriate in scale and nonobtrusive.

- (D) Homesites fronting on Bissonnet Street must maintain a minimum lot width of no less than fifty-eight (58) feet as such width is measured along Bissonnet.
- (E) No Residential Dwelling, Parking Structure or other outbuilding, and no addition to a Residential Dwelling, Parking Structure or other outbuilding, may be constructed anywhere that contains more than two and one-half stories. A one-half story is defined as a room height above the eaves of and contained within the main roof of a Residential Dwelling such that the Residential Dwelling has a two (2) story vertical façade. The one-half story may have windows, sometimes referred to as "dormers".
- (F) No new Residential Dwelling, Parking Structure or other outbuilding, and no addition to a Residential Dwelling, Parking Structure or other outbuilding, may be constructed in the Subdivision (and any additional real property bound by these Restrictions) that is taller than the tallest Residential Dwelling (exclusive of any chimney, aerial or three-story or taller portion) in existence on the Effective Date in the Subdivision and on the Blockface containing the Homesite on which it will be built.

- (G) Notwithstanding any provisions to the contrary contained herein, any Residential Dwelling, driveway, Parking Structure, outbuilding, improvement or appurtenance existing on the Effective Date or constructed after the Effective Date in accordance with plans that had been approved as of the Effective Date (and any revisions to such plans thereafter approved) by the Association (i) may remain, and (ii) may be reconstructed, rebuilt or repaired in its existing form and on its existing location as of the Effective Date provided that plans for any such reconstruction or rebuilding are first submitted to and approved by the Association.
- (H) Only one (1) Residential Dwelling shall be located at any time on any one (1) Homesite.
- (I)The Property Owner of adjoining Platted Lots or parts of Platted Lots may consolidate such tracts into one (1) building site tract, with the right to construct one Residential Dwelling on the resulting consolidated building site tract, provided that, after the Effective Date, no such action will be permitted if it would result in the creation of any Homesite with a street frontage of less than seventyfive (75) feet on North or South Boulevard or a street frontage of less than fiftyeight (58) feet on Bissonnet or if it would cause any violation of the Side Building Line (or Side Street Building Line, if applicable) provisions of these Restrictions. (For purposes of this Section (18)(I) and of Section (18)(J), the Side Building Lines (or Side Street Building Line, if applicable) of a resulting replatted lot or Homesite shall be measured from the resulting side property lines of such replatted lot or Homesite rather than from the side property lines of any original applicable Platted Lot or Homesite.) The owner of the tracts to be consolidated must also comply with any replatting requirements imposed by the City of Houston.
- (J) No Platted Lot or Homesite shall be subdivided or replatted after the Effective Date if such action would result in the creation of any replatted lot or Homesite:

- (i) on North or South Boulevard having a street frontage of less than seventyfive (75) feet, or on Bissonnet having a street frontage of less than fiftyeight (58) feet, or
- having a depth from the front (street) property line to the rear property line of such replatted lot or Homesite that is less than the depth of the original Platted Lot or Lots from which the replatted lot or Homesite has been created as shown on the original (1924) plat of the Subdivision (or, as to any additional real property bound by these Restrictions, the original plat thereof), or
- (iii) having an existing Residential Dwelling, Parking Structure or other improvement nearer to the resulting side property line the location of which would cause any violation of the Side Building Line (or Side Street Building Line, if applicable) provisions of these Restrictions.
- (K) If, after the Effective Date, a new Residential Dwelling is to be constructed, then the requirements of this Section (18)(K) shall apply in addition to all other applicable requirements of these Restrictions. The new Residential Dwelling must face the street of the Homesite address as it existed on the Effective Date. The new Residential Dwelling, or another Parking Structure on the Homesite, must provide a Parking Structure for not less than two (2) automobiles. Such Parking Structure shall be located as specified in (x) the last sentence of Section (18)(A) and (y) Section (18)(B) or Section (18)(C), as applicable.
- (L) If, after the Effective Date, an addition to an existing Residential Dwelling or any other structure is to be constructed that is not a new Residential Dwelling, and upon completion of such addition the Homesite would not contain a Parking Structure for at least two (2) automobiles, then the requirements of this Section (18)(L) shall apply in addition to all other applicable requirements of these Restrictions. The property owner proposing to construct such addition shall be required to provide, and to submit for approval by the Association plans for,

parking spaces on the Homesite for not less than two (2) automobiles, any of which spaces may be in a Parking Structure or uncovered.

If any parking space required by this Section (18)(L) is provided in a Parking Structure, such Parking Structure shall be located as specified in (x) the last sentence of Section (18)(A) and (y) Section (18)(B) or Section (18)(C), as applicable. If any parking space required by this Section (18)(L) is uncovered (i.e., is not provided in a Parking Structure), it shall be located at the rear of the Homesite, as approved by the Association, and no setback from the side property line of the Homesite shall be required.

(M) If, after the Effective Date, an existing Parking Structure is to be converted into living space or other use, or is to be demolished and not replaced, and upon completion of such conversion or demolition the Homesite would not contain a Parking Structure for at least two (2) automobiles, then the requirements of this Section (18)(M) shall apply in addition to all other applicable requirements of these Restrictions. The Property Owner proposing to convert or demolish such existing Parking Structure shall be required to provide, and to submit for approval by the Association plans for, parking spaces on the Homesite for not less than two (2) automobiles, any of which spaces may be in a Parking Structure or uncovered.

If any parking space required by this Section (18)(M) is provided in a Parking Structure, such Parking Structure shall be located as specified in (x) the last sentence of Section (18)(A) and (y) Section (18)(B) or Section (18)(C), as applicable. If any parking space required by this Section (18)(M) is uncovered (i.e., is not provided in a Parking Structure), it shall be located at the rear of the Homesite, as approved by the Association, and no setback from the side property line of the Homesite shall be required as to that parking space.

(N) After the Effective Date, no garage doors facing the front (street) property line of any Homesite shall be installed or constructed unless (x) installed or constructed at the rear of the Homesite, as approved by the Association or (y) otherwise installed or constructed in a manner and with a setback from the front facade that

are determined by the Association to be unobtrusive and appropriate and are approved by the Association.

(O)The Association shall have the authority to determine compliance or noncompliance with these Restrictions of any Residential Dwelling, Parking Structure, addition or other improvement constructed or to be constructed on a Homesite, including without limitation any and all: determinations with respect to the direction in which it shall face; determinations with respect to compliance with any Front Building Line, Side Street Building Line or Side Building Line restrictions; determinations with respect to compliance with any provisions set forth in the original deed to the Homesite, if applicable: determinations with respect to whether a proposed project would constitute construction of a new Residential Dwelling as contemplated by Section (18)(K) or construction of an addition to an existing Residential Dwelling as contemplated by Section (18)(L); determinations with respect to whether a Parking Structure would be an integral part of a Residential Dwelling; determinations with respect to whether a Parking Structure would be converted or demolished as contemplated in Section (18)(M); and determinations with respect to the applicability of, and compliance or noncompliance with, any and all provisions set forth in these Restrictions.

(19) The Association:

(A) Unless a vote of the Property Owners is expressly required with respect to any specific act hereunder, all actions and approvals required or allowed to be taken or granted by the Association herein shall be taken or granted by the Board of Directors; provided, however, that the Board of Directors' power to take or grant actions or approvals may be delegated by the Board of Directors to, and exercised by, the Architectural Committee or any other committee duly appointed by the Board of Directors. Actions and approvals taken or granted by the Board of Directors or by the Architectural Committee or other committee shall constitute authorized actions and approvals of the Association hereunder. Any and all actions or approvals required or allowed to be taken or granted under these

Restrictions by the Association or by the Board of Directors or Architectural Committee or any other committee (including without limitation any and all decisions, interpretations, exercises or non-exercises of authority or discretion, grants or non-grants of waivers or variances, and approvals or nonapprovals of plans) shall be taken or granted reasonably and in good faith and, if so taken or granted reasonably and in good faith shall be binding upon all Property Owners, and on all persons claiming by, through or under any Property Owner, and as to all real property within the Subdivision (and any additional real property bound by these Restrictions).

- (B) The Association shall function as the representative of all Property Owners to maintain the continued high-quality residential character and property values of the Subdivision (and any additional real property bound by these Restrictions) by giving its attention to the matters herein set out as proper functions of such association, and shall be authorized to:
 - (i) Collect and expend, for the benefit of the Subdivision and Edgemont as a whole (and any additional real property bound by these Restrictions), a regular assessment from each Property Owner in the amount of seven hundred fifty United States Dollars (\$750.00) per year, less such discounts as may be determined by the Board of Directors, or such other amount as may be established from time to time by majority vote of the Property Owners, together with appropriate interest and late charges as determined by the Board of Directors on any unpaid amount.
 - (ii) Collect and expend from time to time, for the benefit of the Subdivision and Edgemont as a whole (and any additional real property bound by these Restrictions), special assessments, together with appropriate interest and late charges on any unpaid amount as determined by the Board of Directors, from all Property Owners, each in an aggregate amount and apportioned on a per-Homesite, per-acre or other basis, as proposed by the

Board of Directors and approved by majority vote of the Property Owners, for:

- (a) defraying, in whole or in part, the cost, whether incurred before or after the assessment, of any construction or reconstruction, repair or replacement of a capital improvement owned, maintained or operated by the Association, including the necessary fixtures and personal property related to common areas;
- (b) maintenance and improvement of common areas, including fixtures and personal property related thereto or trees and other plantings thereon; or
- (c) other purposes intended to maintain the continued high quality residential character and property values of the Subdivision (and any additional real property bound by these Restrictions).
- (iii) Enforce these Restrictions by appropriate proceedings, with the assistance of municipal authorities, and if necessary, to hire attorneys to enforce these Restrictions if, in the opinion of the Board of Directors, such attorney services are required.
- (iv) Enforce or release any lien imposed on any part of the Subdivision (and any additional real property bound by these Restrictions) by reason of a violation of any of these Restrictions, or by reason of failure to pay any regular or special assessments herein provided.
- (v) Approve or reject plans and specifications for improvements to be erected in the Subdivision (and any additional real property bound by these Restrictions) as herein provided, with the authority to delegate such function to an Architectural Committee (the "Architectural Committee") designated by the Board of Directors, and with the further authority to determine the number of members of the Architectural Committee and its

membership, whose members are not required to be members of the Board of Directors.

- (vi) Employ from time to time, an architect or architects for advice concerning approval of improvements to be constructed in Subdivision (and any additional real property bound by these Restrictions) if, in the opinion of the Board of Directors, such architectural services are required.
- (C) All funds held by the Association shall be held by said Association for the benefit of the Association, the Subdivision, the Property Owners and Edgemont (and any additional real property bound by these Restrictions) and the property owners of Edgemont, and such sums may be expended by the Association for any purposes, which in its judgment will be most effective in maintaining the continued high quality residential character and the property values of the Subdivision and Edgemont (and any additional real property bound by these Restrictions), including, but not limited to, architectural approval, employing policemen, watchmen or security services, caring for vacant Homesites and trees thereon, maintaining and improving the esplanades and trees thereon, control of mosquitoes and other insects, removing storm damage from streets and public areas, trash collection and any other purposes which the Association considers will reasonably benefit the Property Owners and the property owners of Edgemont (and any additional real property bound by these Restrictions).
- (D) To secure the payment of the regular and special assessments levied against each Property Owner, together with appropriate interest or late charges on any unpaid amount as determined by the Board of Directors, a lien shall be reserved commencing annually for the fiscal year beginning on October 1, 2007, which lien shall be enforceable through appropriate proceedings at law by the Association; provided, however, that each such lien shall be secondary, and inferior to all liens, present and future, given, granted, and created by or at the instance and request of the owner of any Homesite to secure the payment of moneys advanced or to be advanced on account of the purchase price and/or the

improvement of any such Homesite. It is further provided that as a condition precedent to any proceeding to enforce such lien upon which there is an outstanding valid and subsisting first mortgage lien, the Association or its successor or assign shall give the holder of such first mortgage lien written notice of such proposed action, mailed at least sixty (60) days prior to the commencement of the proceedings to enforce such lien to such first mortgage holder by prepaid United States mail, including a statement of the delinquent regular and special assessments, interest or late charges on any unpaid amount, upon which proposed action is based.

(20) <u>Deed Restrictions Enforcement: Attorney Fees:</u>

- (A) Violations of the provisions of these Restrictions shall give the Association, or any authorized parties acting on its behalf, the right to enter upon property where such violation exists, without liability for trespass, and summarily correct, abate or remove such violating condition at the expense of the offending Property Owner.
- (B) The Association shall have authority to seek recovery of any attorney fees and expenses incurred in an action based on a breach of these Restrictions. If the Association is the prevailing party in an action based on a breach of these Restrictions, the Property Owner who was asserted by the Association to have breached these Restrictions shall pay the Association's reasonable attorney fees, determined by the Court under Section 5.006 of the Texas Property Code, in addition to its costs and claims.

(21) Non-Waiver Clause:

Any failure to enforce these Restrictions against any violation of the same shall not be deemed to be a waiver of such restriction, protective covenant and condition or a waiver of the right to enforce any provision of these Restrictions against any other violation which may occur at any time.

(22) Restatement of Restrictions:

Upon execution by the Property Owners and filing in the Official Public Records of Real Property of Harris County, Texas, these Restrictions, are intended to and shall amend and restate, in their entirety with respect to the Subdivision, any and all prior instruments purporting to impose restrictions or protective covenants on the Subdivision.

(23) Additional Signatories:

- (A) Any Property Owners may bind and subject to these Restrictions any real property that is located within the Subdivision as of the Effective Date or that fronts on North Boulevard, South Boulevard or Bissonnet Street and was part of the original West Edgemont recorded residential subdivision of the City of Houston, according to plat thereof, filed in the office of the County Clerk, Houston, Harris County, Texas, on the 26th day of March, 1924, under Clerk's File No. 145,495 ("Original West Edgemont Properties"), by the execution, acknowledgement and filing for record in the Office of the County Clerk of Harris County, Texas, of a separate signed counterpart of this instrument or a separate agreement of ratification adequately identifying the property owned by such Property Owners and so intended to be bound and subjected to these Restrictions, which shall have the same force and effect as if said property owners had executed this instrument or some other duplicate original, with effect from the date of filing thereof for record in the office of the County Clerk of Harris County, Texas.
- (B) Additional real property, that is not located within the Subdivision as of the Effective Date and is not Original West Edgemont Property, may become bound by and subject to these Restrictions in the following manner and subject to the following conditions:
 - (i) Such additional real property must consist of one or more Homesites fronting on North Boulevard, South Boulevard or the north side of Bissonnet Street east of Woodhead Street and west of Dunlavy Street;

- (ii) The Property Owner(s) of such additional real property must agree to bind such additional real property to all of the terms and conditions of these Restrictions as then in effect, except that
 - (a) the provisions of Section (18) of these Restrictions may be modified as the same shall apply to such additional real property in a manner agreed to and approved by the Association and by the Property Owners of such additional real property; and
 - (b) the term "Effective Date" as used in Sections (3), (10), (11), (13), (18)(A), (18)(C) and (18)(G), shall mean, as to such additional real property, the date on which such additional real property becomes bound by these Restrictions as provided in this Section(23)(B);
- The Property Owners of such additional real property and the Association (iii) (acting through its President and its Secretary pursuant to a duly adopted resolution of its Board of Directors) shall bind and subject such additional real property to these Restrictions as provided in this Section(23)(B) by the execution, acknowledgement and filing for record in the office of the County Clerk of Harris County, Texas, of a separate agreement of ratification (x) adequately identifying the additional real property owned by such Property Owners and so intended to be bound by and subjected to these Restrictions as provided in this Section (23)(B) and (y) setting forth any modifications to Section (18) of these Restrictions as the same shall apply to such additional real property, which shall have the effect of so binding and subjecting such additional real property to these Restrictions as provided in this Section (23)(B), with effect from the date of filing thereof for record in the office of the County Clerk of Harris County, Texas.

(24) <u>Included Instruments and Properties</u>:

- (A) All instruments mentioned or referred to in these Restrictions by reference thereto, and any record thereof, are incorporated herein for all relevant purposes.
- (B) We, the undersigned Property Owners, do hereby severally covenant, represent and warrant that we are the owners of the real property as shown opposite our respective signatures hereto, and that we have the full right and authority to execute this instrument and to bind the real property owned respectively by each of the undersigned. Should the particular real property description attached to this document prove incorrect or inadequate to cover the land intended to be subject to these Restrictions, it is our intent that these Restrictions shall apply to all real property owned by the undersigned in the Subdivision, as defined herein, including any that is contiguous or adjacent to or adjoining the described property, located in the named survey and owned by the Property Owner by deed, limitation, prescription, possession or unrecorded instrument or otherwise.

(25) Savings Clause:

Invalidation by a judgment or decree of any court of competent jurisdiction or by any other means of any of the conditions, restrictions, assessments, liens, easements, charges or covenants established hereby or by any recorded document (which shall be construed together) shall in nowise affect any other condition, restriction, assessment, lien, easement, charge or covenant which has been so established, all of which remaining conditions, restrictions, assessments, liens, easements, charges and covenants shall be and remain in full force and effect pursuant to the terms hereof.

(26) Headings:

Headings in preceding provisions of these Restrictions are for convenience only and shall not affect any of such provisions nor these Restrictions.

EXECUTED on the respective dates of the acknowledgment of each party hereto, and if executed in multiple counterparts, each thereof shall constitute an original hereof for all purposes and all thereof shall constitute but one and the same instrument and shall have the Effective Date first stated above.

Executed in Houston, Texas, this 27th day of Lugust, 2008, for

Edgemont Civic Association, by

Geoffrey Walker, President

Janet Spencer, Secretary

STATE OF TEXAS

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COUNTY OF HARRIS

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This instrument was acknowledged before me on $\mathcal{A}\mathcal{A}$.

 $\frac{9-27,2008}{1000}$ (date) by

Notary Public, State of Texas

MARY S. TOURE
NOTARY PUBLIC, STATE OF
MY COMMISSION EXPIF
MAY 7, 2009

THE STATE OF TEXAS	§	VII. VOID
COUNTY OF HARRIS	§	KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS:
That the undersig	ned, the owner oulevard, Housto	or co-owner of the real property known as on, Harris County, Texas, and described as
map or plat thereof recorded	in Volume ,	addition in Harris County, Texas, according to the Page and in Volume, Page both of the gal description is from deed of record.)
does hereby ratify, agree to a Restrictions and Protective C	nd confirm in al Covenants.	ll respects the provisions of the foregoing Amended
Executed this day of		, 2008.
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THE STATE OF TEXAS	§	
COUNTY OF HARRIS	§	
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(Name o	r names of pers	on or persons acknowledging)
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ANNEX A TO

AMENDED RESTRICTIONS AND PROTECTIVE COVENANTS WEST EDGEMONT ADDITION CITY OF HOUSTON

(2) that certain instrument entitled "Restriction Renewal, West Edgemont Addition, City of Houston, Texas, October 1, 1969", recorded on January 12, 1971 in Volume 8273, Page 12, et seq., in County Clerk's File No. D246067, of the Deed Records of Harris County, Texas, which imposed various covenants, conditions and restrictions upon the properties described as follows:

Block 5, Lots 3, 4, and the West 37.5 Feet of Lot 2 in West Edgemont, an addition in Houston, Harris County, Texas, according to plat thereof, filed in the office of the County Clerk, Harris County, Texas, on the 26th day of March, 1924, under Clerk's File No. 145495, and the East 50 Feet of Lot 7, Block 1, of Ormond Place, an addition to the City of Houston, Harris County, Texas, according to plat thereof, filed in Volume 6, Page 43, of the Deed Records of Harris County.

Certification of Receiving and Counting Ballots on Amended Restrictions and Protective Covenants West Edgemont Addition City of Houston

STATE OF TEXAS

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§ KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS:

COUNTY OF HARRIS

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That the undersigned does hereby attest that she has received and counted all of the written ballots on the vote to approve the Amended Restrictions and Protective Covenants (the "Amended Restrictions") covering all property in West Edgemont Addition described in Exhibit "A" attached thereto and incorporated herein for all purposes (the "Subdivision") for the purpose of amending the existing restrictions applicable to the Subdivision in accordance with Sections 204.005 and 204.008 of the Texas Property Code (the "Code").

Edgemont Civic Association (the "Association"), a property owners' association as defined in Chapter 204 of the Code, having jurisdiction over the Subdivision, approved and circulated to each owner in the Subdivision a written ballot ("Ballot") containing (i) a copy of the Amended Restrictions, (ii) a summary of the substance of the Amended Restrictions, and (iii) the date by which the Ballot must be received by the Association to be counted. A Ballot was hand delivered to residences within the Subdivision or was sent by regular mail to the last known mailing address of the owner(s) of such residence as reflected in the ownership records maintained by the Association. Of the Ballots marked, signed and returned to the Association, the owners of at least 75 percent of the properties in the Subdivision voted in favor of and to approve the Amended Restrictions.

According to the ownership records maintained by the Association, the total square footage within all properties in the Subdivision is 244,816.89 and the owners of properties in the Subdivision containing a total square footage of 244,816.89 voted in favor of and to approve the Amended Restrictions (100,00%). The Ballots are and will be permanently kept in the records of the Association.

Dated:

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Janet Spencer, Secretary

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN to before me on this Z

1 day of

,2008.

Notary Public in and for the State of Texas

RECORD AND RETURN

Geoffrey K. Walker Andrews Kurth LLP 600 Travis, Suite 4200

Houston, Texas 77002

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MARY S. TOURENQ NOTARY PUBLIC, STATE OF TEXAS MY COMMISSION EXPIRES

MAY 7, 2009

RECORDER'S MEMORANDUM.

At the time of recordation, this instrument was found to be inadequate for the best photographic reproduction because of illegibility, carbon or photo copy, discolored paper, etc. All blockous additions and changes were present at the sime the instrument was filed and recorded.

ANY PROVISION HEREIN WHICH RESTRICTS THE SALE RENTALL OR USE OF THE DESCRIBED REAL PROPERTY BECAUSE OF COLOR OR RACE IS INVALID AND UNEMPORCEABLE UNDER FEDERAL LAW. THE STATE OF TEXAS COUNTY OF HARRIS.

I hierby certify flat this instrument was FILED in File Number Sequence on the date and at the latter stamped hereon by the jard was dwy RECORDED. In the Official Public Records of Real Property of Harris County, Texas on

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COUNTY CLERK
HARRIS COUNTY, TEXAS