

ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

ASHTON HALL HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC.

Pursuant to §55A-2-02 of the General Statutes of North Carolina, the undersigned does hereby submit these Articles of Incorporation for the purpose of forming a nonprofit corporation.

I.

The name of the corporation (the "Corporation") is:

Ashton Hall Homeowners Association, Inc.

II.

The initial registered office of the Corporation shall be:

1000 Park Forty Plaza, Suite 350
Durham, North Carolina 27713
Durham County

III.

The mailing address of the initial registered office of the Corporation is:

1000 Park Forty Plaza, Suite 350
Durham, North Carolina 27713
Durham County

IV.

The initial registered agent of the Corporation shall be Keith D. Burns.

V.

The name and address of the incorporator is:

Keith D. Burns
1000 Park Forty Plaza, Suite 350
Durham, North Carolina 27713
Durham County

VI.

The Corporation shall have two (2) classes of Members as provided in the bylaws of the Corporation (the "Bylaws"). Members shall have the voting rights as provided in the Bylaws.

VII.

The Corporation shall have perpetual duration.

VIII.

The purposes for which the corporation is organized are to provide for the ownership, management and operation of the “Area of Common Responsibility” (as that term is defined in the Declaration of Covenants, Restrictions and Easements for Ashton Hall which is or will be recorded with the Durham County Register of Deeds (the “Declaration”); the enforcement of the covenants and restrictions set forth in the Declaration, and to levy assessments against the members of the Corporation in accordance with the terms and provisions of the Declaration in order to raise the funds required by the Corporation to defray expenses which the Corporation shall incur in carrying out such purposes.

IX.

The Corporation is organized as a nonprofit, nonstock, membership corporation for the sole purpose of performing certain functions for the common good and general welfare of the residents of that certain residential subdivision development (the “Development”) in Durham County, North Carolina, commonly known as “Ashton Hall.” The Corporation shall have no power or duty to do or perform any act or thing other than those acts and things which will promote in some way the common good and general welfare of the residents of the Development. To the extent, and only to the extent, necessary to carry out such purpose, the Corporation (a) shall have all of the powers of a corporation organized under the North Carolina Nonprofit Corporation Code and (b) shall have the power and duty to exercise all of the rights, powers and privileges and to perform all of the duties and obligations of the Corporation as set forth in the Bylaws and in the Declaration. Unless otherwise defined herein, all capitalized terms

in these Articles of Incorporation shall have the same meaning as ascribed to such capitalized terms in the Bylaws.

No part of the net earnings, gains or assets or assets of the Corporation shall inure to the benefit of or be distributable to its directors, officers, other private individuals, or organizations organized and operated for a profit (except that the Corporation shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of the purposes of the Corporation as herein stated). No substantial part of the activities of the Corporation shall be the direct or indirect participation or intervention in political campaigns on behalf of or in opposition to any candidate for public office. Notwithstanding any other provision of these Articles of Incorporation, the Corporation shall not carry on any activities not permitted to be carried on by a corporation exempt for federal income tax under Section 501(c)(6) and Section 528 of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

Upon the dissolution of the corporation, the Board of Directors shall, after paying or making provision for the payment of all of the liabilities of the corporation, dispose of all of the assets of the corporation exclusively for the purposes of the corporation in such manner, or to such organization or organizations organized and operated exclusively for religious, charitable, educational, scientific or literary purposes as shall at the time qualify as an exempt organization or organizations under the Code as the Board of Directors shall determine or to federal, state, or local governments to be used exclusively for public purposes. Any such assets not so disposed of shall be disposed of by the Superior Court of the county in which the principal office of the corporation is then located, exclusively for such purposes or to such organizations, as such court

shall determine, which are organized and operated exclusively for such purposes, or to such governments for such purposes.

X.

No director of the Corporation shall be personally liable to the Corporation or its members for monetary damages for breach of fiduciary duty of care or other duty as a director, except that this Article X shall not eliminate or limit the liability of a director: (i) for acts or omissions not in good faith or which involve intentional misconduct or a knowing violation of law; or (ii) for any transaction from which the director derives an improper personal benefit. Neither the amendment nor repeal of this Article X, nor the adoption of any provision of these Articles of Incorporation inconsistent with this Article X, shall eliminate or reduce the effect of this Article X in respect of any act or failure to act, or any cause of action, suit or claim that, but for this Article X, would accrue or arise prior to any amendment, repeal or adoption of such an inconsistent provision. If the North Carolina Nonprofit Corporation Code is subsequently amended to provide for further limitations on the personal liability of directors of corporations for breach of duty of care or other duty as a director, then the personal liability of the directors of the Corporation shall be so further limited to the greatest extent permitted by the North Carolina Nonprofit Corporation Code.

XI.

These Articles of Incorporation may be amended only upon a resolution, duly adopted by the Board of Directors, the affirmative vote of members other than the Declarant who own at least two-thirds (2/3rds) of the Lots, and the consent of the Declarant, so long as the Declarant owns any Lot.

XII.

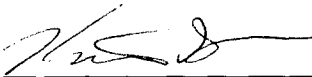
The address and county of the principal office of the Corporation is:

15401 Weston Parkway, Suite 175
Cary, North Carolina 27513
Wake County

XIII.

These Articles shall be effective upon filing.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has executed these Articles of Incorporation
on March 21, 2007.



Keith D. Burns, Incorporator