

Commonwealth of Virginia



STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION

Richmond, April 18, 2001

This is to Certify that the certificate of incorporation of

River Bank Woods Homeowners Association

— was this day issued and admitted to record in this office and that the said corporation is authorized to transact its business subject to all Virginia laws applicable to the corporation and its business. Effective date: April 18, 2001



State Corporation Commission

Attest:

Joel H. Beck
Clerk of the Commission

ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION
FOR
RIVER BANK WOODS HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION

ARTICLE 1

NAME

The name of this corporation is River Bank Woods Homeowners Association which is hereby incorporated as a nonstock corporation pursuant to the Virginia Nonstock Corporation Act, Chapter 10 of Title 13.1 of the Code of Virginia (1950), as amended ("Act"). The duration of the corporation is perpetual.

ARTICLE 2

INTERPRETIVE PROVISIONS

Section 2.1. Definitions. Terms used herein without definition shall have the meanings specified for such terms in Section 13.1-803 of the Act. Capitalized terms used herein or in the Bylaws shall have the meanings specified for such terms below.

- (1) "Articles of Incorporation" means the Articles of Incorporation for the Association filed with the Virginia State Corporation Commission, as amended from time to time.
- (2) "Assessments" means the sums levied against the Lots to pay Common Expenses as provided in Article 6 of the Declaration.
- (3) "Association" means River Bank Woods Homeowners Association and, with respect to the rights and obligations of the Association set forth in the Declaration, its successors and assigns.
- (4) "Association Documents" means collectively these Articles of Incorporation, the Declaration, Supplementary Declarations and the Bylaws, all as amended from time to time. Any exhibit, schedule, certification or amendment to an Association Document is an integral part of that document.
- (5) "Board of Directors" or "Board" means the executive and administrative entity established by Article 5 of these Articles of Incorporation as the governing body of the Association.
- (6) "Builder" means a Person (other than the Declarant) who is regularly in the business of and who purchases land or two or more Lots within the Property for the purpose of constructing improvements for resale.

(7) "Bylaws" means the Bylaws of the Association, as amended from time to time.

(8) "Common Area" means, at any given time, all of the Property (other than Lots) then owned by the Association and available to the Association for the benefit, use and enjoyment of the Owners. "Common Easement Areas" means, at any given time, any easement available to the Association for the benefit or use of the Owners.

(9) "Common Expenses" means all expenses incurred by or on behalf of the Association, together with all sums determined by the Board of Directors to be reasonably necessary for the creation and maintenance of reserves pursuant to the provisions of the Association Documents.

(10) "County" means Loudoun County, Virginia. All references to approval by the County shall mean approval by the appropriate agency of the County, as determined by the Office of the County Attorney at that time.

(11) "Declarant" means **Toll VA, LLP , a Virginia limited liability partnership** or such other Person named as the Declarant in or pursuant to the Declaration.

(12) "Declarant Control Period" means the period of time beginning on the date of incorporation of the Association and ending on the earliest of: (i) the tenth anniversary of the date of recordation of the Declaration; (ii) the date seventy-five percent of the total number of planned dwellings permitted to be located on the Submitted Land are initially occupied or owned by Owners other than the Declarant or a Builder (the foregoing number may be increased or decreased in accordance with any amendments to the Development Plan or approvals affecting the number of permitted dwellings or if Exhibit A is amended to describe land not originally described in Exhibit A which would allow an increased number of permitted dwellings or as otherwise provided in Section 4.2(a) of these Articles); (iii) the date specified by the Declarant in a written notice to the Association that the Declarant Control Period is to terminate; or (iv) the end of the Development Period.

(13) "Declaration" means the Declaration for River Bank Woods made by the Declarant and recorded among the Land Records. The term "Declaration" shall include all amendments thereto and, except when the context clearly requires otherwise, all "Supplementary Declarations". "Supplementary Declaration" means any declaration: (i) submitting land to the terms of the Declaration and subjecting such land to the jurisdiction of the Association, whether or not such Supplementary Declaration contains additional provisions reflecting the unique characteristics of the land being submitted; or (ii) submitting a portion of the Property to such supplementary covenants in accordance with the provisions of Article 4 of the Declaration.

(14) "Development Period" means the period of time that the Declarant or any Builder is engaged in development or sales of the Property or activities relating thereto, during which time the Declarant is entitled to exercise certain "Special Declarant Rights" under the Association Documents. Special Declarant Rights are described in Article 5 of the Declaration. When all the Submitted Land is owned by Owners other than the Declarant (or a lender holding Special Declarant Rights) or a Builder, and all of the Declarant's bonds held by a governmental agency with respect to the Property have been released, then the Development Period shall end.

(15) "Development Plan" means the general development or site plan or plans for the Submitted Land as approved by the County and as amended from time to time. "Proffers" means the proffers applicable to the Submitted Land as approved by the County in

conjunction with rezoning of the Property, including without limitation the Land Use Concept Plan, as amended from time to time. Although the Declarant intends to develop the Submitted Land substantially in accordance with the Development Plan and the Proffers, the Declarant reserves the right to modify the Development Plan and the Proffers subject only to the requirements and procedures of the County.

(16) "Land Records" means the land records of Loudoun County, Virginia.

(17) "Lot" means a portion of the Property which is a separate, subdivided lot of record or any other parcel of Submitted Land held in separate ownership (but not including land designated as Common Area and owned by the Association or land dedicated for public street or utility purposes), together with any improvements now or hereafter appurtenant thereto.

(18) "Majority Vote" means a simple majority (more than fifty percent) of the votes entitled to be cast by Owners present in person or by proxy at a duly held meeting of the Owners at which a quorum is present. Any vote of a specified percentage of Owners means that percentage with respect to the number of votes actually cast by Owners present in person or by proxy at a duly held meeting of the Owners at which a quorum is present. Any vote of a specified percentage of the Board of Directors (or committee) means that percentage with respect to the number of votes entitled to be cast by directors (or committee members) present at a duly held meeting of the Board (or committee) at which a quorum is present. Any vote of or approval of a specified percentage of the Mortgagees means a vote of or approval (whether actual or presumed) by the Mortgagees calculated according to the number of votes allocated to the Lots (or the Owners of the Lots) on which a Mortgage is held by a Mortgagee.

(19) "Mortgagee" means an institutional lender (one or more commercial or savings banks, savings and loan associations, trust companies, credit unions, industrial loan associations, insurance companies, pension funds or business trusts, including but not limited to real estate investment trusts, any other lender regularly engaged in financing the purchase, construction or improvement of real estate, or any assignee of loans made by such lender, or any combination of any of the foregoing entities) which holds a first mortgage or first deed of trust ("Mortgage") encumbering a Lot and which has notified the Board of Directors of its status in writing and requested all rights under the Association Documents pursuant to Section 13.2 of the Declaration. Only for the purposes of the notice and inspection rights in Articles 13, 14 and 15 of the Declaration, the term "Mortgagee" shall also include the Federal Housing Administration (FHA), the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation (FHLMC), the Federal National Mortgage Association (FNMA), the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA), the Government National Mortgage Association (GNMA) and any other public or private secondary mortgage market agency participating in purchasing, guaranteeing or insuring Mortgages which has notified the Board of Directors of such participation in writing ("Secondary Mortgage Market Agency"). Where the approval of Mortgagees is required, such approval means: (i) written approval; (ii) any written waiver of approval rights; (iii) a letter stating no objection; or (iv) presumptive approval if a Mortgagee does not respond to a notice sent by certified or registered United States mail, return receipt requested, within thirty days after the date the request for approval is transmitted in accordance with the notice requirements of Article 10 of the Bylaws and Sections 13.2 and 14.4 of the Declaration.

(20) "Officer" means any Person holding office pursuant to Article 6 of the Bylaws.

(21) "Owner" means one or more Persons who own a Lot in fee simple, but does not mean any Person having an interest in a Lot solely by virtue of a contract or as security for an obligation. The term "Owner" is also used to mean a member of the Association.

(22) "Person" means a natural person, corporation, partnership, association, trust or other entity capable of holding title or any combination thereof.

(23) "Property" means, at any given time, the Submitted Land together with all improvements and appurtenances thereto now or hereafter existing.

(24) "Rules and Regulations" means the rules and regulations governing the use, occupancy, operation, Upkeep and physical appearance of the Property adopted from time to time by the Board of Directors.

(25) "Submitted Land" means the land designated as such in Exhibit A to the Declaration and all land which is from time to time submitted to the Declaration.

(26) "Upkeep" means care, inspection, maintenance, snow and ice removal, operation, repair, repainting, remodeling, restoration, renovation, alteration, replacement and reconstruction.

Section 2.2. Construction of Association Documents.

(a) Captions. The captions are provided only for reference, and shall not be deemed to define, limit or otherwise affect the scope, meaning or effect of any provision of the document in which used.

(b) Pronouns. The use of the masculine gender shall be deemed to include the feminine and neuter genders, and the use of the singular shall be deemed to include the plural and vice versa; whenever the context so requires.

(c) Severability. Each provision of an Association Document is severable from every other provision, and the invalidity or unenforceability of any one or more provisions shall not change the meaning of or otherwise affect any other provision. To the extent that any provision of the Association Documents is found to be overly broad or unenforceable and a narrower or partially enforceable construction may be given to such provision, then the narrower or partially enforceable construction shall be applied and, to the extent lawful, the provision shall be enforced.

(d) Interpretation. If there is any conflict among the Association Documents, the Declaration and thereafter, the applicable Supplementary Declaration shall control, except as to matters of compliance with the Act, in which case the Articles of Incorporation shall control. Specific provisions shall control general provisions, except that a construction consistent with the Act shall in all cases control over any construction inconsistent with the Act. The provisions of the Bylaws shall control over any conflicting provision of any rule, regulation or other resolution adopted pursuant to any of the Association Documents. The Association Documents shall be construed together and shall be deemed to incorporate one another in full. Any requirements as to the content of one shall be deemed satisfied if the deficiency can be cured by reference to any of the others.

ARTICLE 3

PURPOSES AND LIMITATIONS

The Association does not contemplate pecuniary gain or profit to the Owners. No part of any net earnings shall be paid to any director, Officer or Owner, and as such they will have no interest in or any title to any of the property or assets of the Association except in accordance with the provision herein relating to dissolution. Nothing shall prohibit the Association from reimbursing its directors and Officers for services performed or for all reasonable expenses incurred in performing services for the Association. The purposes for which the Association is organized are to:

- (1) provide for the Upkeep of the Common Area and, to the extent provided in the Association Documents, of the Lots;
- (2) establish and administer the architectural, landscaping and maintenance standards governing the Property;
- (3) promote and provide for the health, safety, convenience, comfort and the general welfare of the Owners of the Lots and the occupants of the Property;
- (4) impose, collect and disburse dues, Assessments, and charges in accordance with the provisions of the Bylaws and the Declaration;
- (5) exercise all other powers and perform all duties and obligations of the Association as set forth in the Association Documents; and
- (6) exercise the powers now or hereafter conferred by law on Virginia nonstock corporations as may be necessary or desirable to accomplish the purposes set forth above.

ARTICLE 4

MEMBERSHIP AND VOTING

Section 4.1. Membership. Members of the Association shall at all times be, and be limited to, the Declarant (during the Development Period) and the Owners. If more than one Person owns a Lot, then all of such Persons shall collectively constitute one Owner and be one member of the Association. The Declarant and each such Person is entitled to attend all meetings of the Association. Membership in the Association is mandatory and automatic with ownership of a Lot.

Section 4.2. Classes of Owners; Voting Rights.

(a) Classes; Voting Rights. The Association shall have the following classes of Owners (members):

The Class A Owners shall be the Owners, other than the Declarant during the Declarant Control Period. A Class A Owner shall have one vote for each Lot owned.

The Class B Owner shall be the Declarant. During the Declarant Control Period, the Class B Owner shall have 87 votes, (three times the total number of lots) less three votes for each

vote held by a Class A Owner other than a Builder when a vote is taken. If the land described in Exhibit A is rezoned or the Development Plan is amended to permit a greater number of dwellings (or the Declarant obtains other approval to permit a greater number of dwellings) to be constructed than permitted at the time the Declaration is recorded, then the number of votes of the Class B Owner described above shall be increased by three times the number of additional dwellings permitted.

After the Declarant Control Period expires, the Declarant shall have one vote as a Class B Owner and the Declarant shall also become a Class A Owner and have Class A votes with respect to the Lots owned by the Declarant. The Class B membership shall expire at the end of the Development Period.

Any Person qualifying as a member of more than one voting class may exercise those votes to which such Person is entitled for each such class.

(b) Additional Provisions Governing Voting. Additional provisions governing voting rights and procedures shall be as set forth in Article 3 of the Bylaws.

Section 4.3. Required Vote. A Majority Vote of the Owners shall be necessary for the adoption of any matter voted upon, except as otherwise provided in the Association Documents. Directors shall be elected as provided in Article 5 below. The Bylaws shall be amended only in accordance with the terms thereof. The Association is also bound by the requirements set forth in the Declaration and shall not take any action in violation thereof. Voting shall not be conducted by class, unless specifically stated otherwise.

Section 4.4. Cumulative Voting. There shall be no cumulative voting.

ARTICLE 5

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Section 5.1. Initial Directors. The three initial directors of the Association are Alan Truitt, Greg Harold and John T. Meagher, each of whom's business address is: 21630 Ridgetop Circle, Suite 130, Dulles, Virginia 20166. The initial directors shall serve until their successors are elected in accordance with Section 5.2 below. The Class B Owner shall be entitled to remove and replace the initial directors at will.

Section 5.2. Election of Directors and Term of Office

(a) Declarant-Controlled Board of Directors. The initial Board of Directors consists of three directors; thereafter, the number of directors may be increased to not more than five directors pursuant to this section and Section 4.2 of the Bylaws. All directors shall be elected by the Class B Owner who shall elect, remove and replace such directors at will, and designate the terms thereof, until the meeting described in Section 5.2(b) below is held at which all Owners with voting rights are entitled to elect a majority of the directors. The term of office of at least one but fewer than three of the directors elected by the Class B Owner at the first election of directors shall expire at the third annual meeting following their election, the term of office of at least one but fewer than three of the directors shall expire at the second annual meeting following their election and the term of office of at least one but fewer than three of the directors shall expire at the first annual meeting following their election. The actual number of directors whose terms of office expires at each of the three annual meetings described in the preceding sentence shall be one-third (or a whole number as near to one-third of the total number

of directors as possible) of the total number of directors. Thereafter, each director shall serve for a three-year term. If the aggregate number of directors is changed, terms shall be established so that one-third (or a whole number as near to one-third of the total number of directors as possible) of the total number of directors is elected each year.

(b) Owner-Controlled Board of Directors. At the earlier of: (i) the first annual meeting of the Association following the end of the Declarant Control Period or (ii) a special meeting called within 120 days after the end of the Declarant Control Period by the Class B Owner to transfer control of the Board of Directors, the number of directors shall be increased to five and all but two of the directors elected by the Class B Owner shall resign. During the Development Period, the Class B Owner shall have the right to elect, remove and replace two directors. The remaining directors shall be elected by all Owners having voting rights, including the Declarant. After the Class B membership has expired, the two director positions previously voted upon solely by the Class B Owner shall be voted upon by all Owners having voting rights or the total number of directors may be reduced by amendment to the Bylaws.

Persons elected shall serve for the remainder of the terms of the directors replaced or, if no resignation was required, for the terms of office necessary so that the term of office of one-third (or a whole number as near to one-third of the total number of documents as possible) of the directors shall expire at the first three annual meetings after their election. The directors receiving the greatest number of votes shall be elected for the longest available terms. All successor directors shall be elected to serve for staggered terms of three years each, unless elected to fill a vacancy, in which case such director shall serve as provided in Section 5.6 below. Except for death, resignation or removal, the directors shall hold office until their respective successors shall have been elected. If an election is not held when required, the directors holding over shall have the authority and power to manage the business of the Association until their successors are duly elected.

Section 5.3. Qualifications; Election Procedures.

(a) Qualifications. No person shall be eligible for election as a director unless such person is an Owner, an Owner's tenant, an Owner's spouse, an officer, trustee, general partner (or officer or partner of the general partner) or agent of an Owner, the Declarant (or a designee of the Declarant) or a Mortgagee in possession (or a designee of a Mortgagee in possession). No Class A Owner or representative of such Owner shall be elected as a director or continue to serve as a director if such Owner is more than sixty days delinquent in meeting financial obligations to the Association or found by the Board of Directors after a hearing to be in violation of the Association Documents or Rules and Regulations.

(b) Nominations. Persons qualified to be directors (except directors elected solely by the Class B Owner) may be nominated for election only by a nominating petition submitted to the Secretary at least twenty-five days before the meeting at which the election is to be held. The nominating petition must be signed by three other Owners and either signed by the nominee or accompanied by a document signed by the nominee indicating the willingness of the nominee to serve as a director; provided, however, that additional nominations may be made from the floor at the meeting at which the election is held for each vacancy on the Board of Directors for which no more than one Person has been nominated by petition. The nominee must either be present at the meeting and consent to the nomination or have indicated in writing the willingness to serve as a director.

(c) Elections Committee. Prior to each meeting of the Association at which the directors are elected by Owners other than the Class B Owner, the Board of Directors shall

appoint an Elections Committee consisting of one director whose term is not then expiring and at least two other persons who are not directors. The Elections Committee shall develop election procedures and administer such procedures as are approved by the Board providing for election of directors by ballot of the Owners at annual meetings and, where appropriate, special meetings.

(d) Declarant Control Period. Notwithstanding any other provision of this section, during the Declarant Control Period the Board of Directors may waive or modify any requirements under this section.

Section 5.4. Action by Board of Directors. At all meetings of the Board of Directors a majority of the total number of directors shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

A Majority Vote of the directors while a quorum is present shall constitute a decision of the Board of Directors, unless otherwise provided in the Act, these Articles of Incorporation or the Bylaws. The Board of Directors may not mortgage, pledge or dedicate to the repayment of indebtedness or otherwise transfer, convey or encumber any or all of the Association property without the approval of the Owners and Mortgagees as required by Section 14.4 of the Declaration.

Section 5.5. Removal or Resignation of Directors. Except with respect to initial directors, directors elected solely by the Class B Owner and replacements thereof, at any regular or special meeting of the Association duly called, any one or more of the directors may be removed with or without cause by the Owners entitled to cast a majority of the total number of votes entitled to elect such director, or as otherwise provided in the Act, and a successor may then and there be elected to fill the vacancy thus created.

Any director whose removal has been proposed by the Owners shall be given at least ten days notice of the time, place and purpose of the meeting and shall be given an opportunity to be heard at the meeting. The notice given to Owners of such meeting shall state that one of the purposes of the meeting is to remove such director. A director may resign at any time by giving notice to the Board of Directors, the President or the Secretary. Unless otherwise specified, such resignation shall take effect upon the receipt thereof and the acceptance of such resignation shall not be necessary to make it effective. Except for directors elected solely by the Class B Owner, a director shall be deemed to have resigned upon disposition by the Owner of the Lot which made such person eligible to be a director, or if such director is not in attendance at three consecutive regular meetings of the Board without approval for such absence, and the minutes reflect the director's resignation pursuant to this section. The Declarant as the Class B Owner may remove and replace at will any initial director or director elected by the Class B Owner.

Section 5.6. Vacancies. Vacancies on the Board of Directors caused by any reason other than: (i) the removal of a director by the Owners; or (ii) removal or resignation of an initial director or a director elected solely by the Class B Owner shall be filled by a Majority Vote of the remaining directors at the meeting of the Board held for such purpose promptly after the occurrence of such vacancy or, if the directors remaining in office constitute fewer than a quorum, an affirmative vote of the majority of the directors remaining in office even though the directors present at such meeting constitute less than a quorum. Each person so elected shall be a director until a successor shall be elected at the next annual meeting of the Association. Vacancies caused by removal of a director by the Owners shall be filled by a vote of the Owners and the successor director shall serve the remainder of the term of the director being replaced. The Class B Owner shall elect the successor to an initial director or any director elected by the Class B Owner. The term of a replacement director shall expire so that the staggered terms shall remain unaffected.

ARTICLE 6

INITIAL REGISTERED OFFICE AND AGENT

The initial registered office of the Association is located in Fairfax County at 3110 Fairview Park Drive, Suite 1400, with a mailing address of Post Office Box 12001, Falls Church, Virginia 22042-4503, at which office the initial registered agent of the Association, Jo Anne S. Bitner, who meets the requirements of Section 13.1-833 of the Act by reason of the fact that she is a resident of Virginia and member of the Virginia State Bar whose business address is identical with that of the registered office.

ARTICLE 7

AMENDMENT

These Articles may be amended if the amendment is adopted by at least a Sixty-Seven Percent Vote of the Owners, pursuant to Section 13.1-886 of the Act. No amendment to these Articles may diminish or impair the rights of the Declarant without the approval of the Class B Owner, if any. The Association shall take no action to amend the Articles of Incorporation which would violate the provisions of Section 14.4 of the Declaration.

ARTICLE 8

DISSOLUTION

The Association may be dissolved pursuant to a merger or consolidation with an entity formed for similar purposes, if the resolution to dissolve is adopted by at least a Sixty-Seven Percent Vote of the Owners, including the Class B Owner, if any; otherwise, dissolution of the Association must be approved by Owners entitled to cast sixty-seven percent of the total number of votes in the Association, including a majority of the total number of votes entitled to be cast by Owners other than the Declarant, and by the Declarant during the Development Period. The Association shall take no action to dissolve the Association or transfer Common Area which would violate the provisions of Sections 14.4 and 14.5 and Article 15 of the Declaration.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the incorporator of the Association has signed these Articles of Incorporation on April 13, 2001.

Jo Anne S. Bitner
Incorporator

**COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA
STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION**

April 18, 2001

The State Corporation Commission has found the accompanying articles submitted on behalf of

River Bank Woods Homeowners Association

to comply with the requirements of law, and confirms payment of all required fees.

Therefore, it is ORDERED that this

CERTIFICATE OF INCORPORATION

be issued and admitted to record with the articles of incorporation in the Office of the Clerk of the Commission, effective April 18, 2001.

The corporation is granted the authority conferred on it by law in accordance with the articles, subject to the conditions and restrictions imposed by law.

STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION

By



Commissioner

Commonwealth of Virginia



State Corporation Commission

I Certify the Following from the Records of the Commission:

The foregoing is a true copy of all documents constituting the charter of River Bank Woods Homeowners Association.

Nothing more is hereby certified.



*Signed and Sealed at Richmond on this Date:
April 20, 2001*

Joel H. Peck

Joel H. Peck, Clerk of the Commission

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STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION

April 18, 2001

JANIE L RHOADS
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RE: River Bank Woods Homeowners Association
ID: 0557428 - 0
DCN: 01-04-18-0041

Dear Customer:

This is your receipt for \$75.00, to cover the fees for filing articles of incorporation with this office.

The effective date of the certificate of incorporation is April 18, 2001.

If you have any questions, please call (804) 371-9733.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Joel H. Peck'.

Joel H. Peck
Clerk of the Commission

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