#### ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

OF

#### WEST BAY CLUB COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION, INC.

WEST BAY CLUB DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION, a Florida corporation, hereinafter referred to as "DECLARANT", owns certain property in Collier County, Florida. DECLARANT intends to record a Master Declaration for West Bay Club (the "DECLARATION") which will affect the property. This Association is being formed to administer the DECLARATION and to perform, among other things, the duties and exercise the powers pursuant to the DECLARATION, as and when the DECLARATION is recorded in the Public Records of Collier County, Florida, with these Articles attached as an Exhibit. All of the definitions contained in the DECLARATION shall apply to these Articles, and to the Bylaws of the COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION. Until such time as the DECLARATION is so recorded, the incorporator shall be the member of the COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION.

#### ARTICLE 1 - NAME AND ADDRESS

The name of the corporation is: WEST BAY CLUB COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION, INC. (hereinafter referred to as the "COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION"). The initial address of the principal office of the COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION and the initial mailing address of the COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION is 2601 South Bayshore Drive, Miami, Florida 33133.

### **ARTICLE 2 - PURPOSE**

The purposes for which the COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION is organized are as follows:

- 2.1 To operate as a corporation not-for-profit pursuant to Chapter 617 of the Florida Statutes.
- 2.2 To administer, enforce and carry out the terms and provisions of the DECLARATION, as same may be amended from time to time.
- 2.3 To administer, enforce end carry out the terms and provisions of any other declaration of covenants and restrictions, or similar document, submitting property to the jurisdiction of, or assigning responsibilities, rights or duties to the COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION, and accepted by the BOARD.
- 2.4 To promote the health, safety, welfare, comfort, and social and economic welfare of the members and residents of the SUBJECT PROPERTY, as authorized by the DECLARATION, by these ARTICLES, and by the BYLAWS.

#### **ARTICLE 3 - POWERS**

The COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION shall have the following powers:

3.1 All of the common law and statutory powers of a corporation not-for-profit under the laws of Florida which are not in conflict with the terms of these ARTICLES.

- 3.2 All of the powers, express or implied, granted to the COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION by the DECLARATION or which are reasonably necessary in order for the COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION to administer, enforce, carry out and perform all of the acts, functions, rights and duties provided in, or contemplated by, the DECLARATION.
- 3.3 To make, establish and enforce rules and regulations governing the use and maintenance of the SUBJECT PROPERTY.
- 3.4 To make and collect ASSESSMENTS against the members to defray the costs, expenses, reserves and losses incurred or to be incurred by the COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION and to use the proceeds thereof in the exercise of the COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION'S powers and duties.
- 3.5 To own, purchase, sell, mortgage, lease, administer, manage, operate, maintain, improve, repair and/or replace real and personal property.
- 3.6 To purchase insurance for the protection of the COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION, its officers, directors, the members, and such other parties as the COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION may determine to be in the best interests of the COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION.
- 3.7 To operate, maintain, repair, and improve all COMMON AREAS, and such other portions of the SUBJECT PROPERTY as may be determined by the BOARD from time to time.
- 3.8 To exercise architectural control over all buildings, structures and improvements to be placed or constructed upon any portion of the SUBJECT PROPERTY pursuant to the DECLARATION.
- 3.9 To provide, purchase, acquire, replace, improve, maintain and/or repair such buildings, structures, street lights and other structures, landscaping, paving and equipment, both real and personal, related to the health, safety and social welfare of the members and residents of the SUBJECT PROPERTY as the BOARD in its discretion determines necessary or appropriate.
- 3.10 To employ personnel necessary to perform the obligations, services and duties required of or to be performed by the COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION and/or to contract with others for the performance of such obligations, services and/or duties.
- 3.11 To operate and maintain the surface water management and drainage system for the SUBJECT PROPERTY as permitted by any controlling governmental authority, including all lakes, retention areas, culverts, and related appurtenances.
  - 3.12 To sue and be sued.

#### ARTICLE 4 - MEMBERS

## 4.1 MEMBERS.

4.1.1 <u>OWNERS</u>. Each OWNER shall be a member of the COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION, except as otherwise provided in the DECLARATION. Such memberships shall be initially established upon the recording of these ARTICLES and

the DECLARATION among the public records of the county in which the SUBJECT PROPERTY is located.

- 4.1.2 Notwithstanding the foregoing, no governmental authority or utility company shall be deemed a member unless one or more UNITS actually exist upon the PROPERTY owned by such governmental authority or utility company, in which event the governmental authority or utility company will be a member only with respect to the PROPERTY owned in conjunction with such UNITS).
- 4.1.3 <u>CLUB</u>. The CLUB shall be a member of the COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION.
- 4.1.4 <u>DECLARANT AND PARCEL DEVELOPERS</u>. DECLARANT and each PARCEL DEVELOPER shall be a member of the COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION so long as they own any PROPERTY.
- 4.2 <u>Transfer of Membership.</u> In the case of an OWNER, transfer of membership in the COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION shall be established by the recording in the Public Records of the county in which the SUBJECT PROPERTY is located, of a deed or other instrument (establishing a transfer of record title to any PROPERTY for which membership has already been established as hereinabove provided, the OWNER designated by such instrument of conveyance thereby becoming a member, and the prior OWNER'S membership thereby being terminated. In the event of death of an OWNER, his membership shall be automatically transferred to his heirs or successors in interest. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION shall not be obligated to recognize such a transfer of membership until such time as the COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION receives a true copy of the deed or other instrument establishing the transfer of ownership of the PROPERTY, and it shall be the responsibility and obligation of the former and new OWNER of the PROPERTY to provide such true copy of said instrument to the COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION.
- 4.3 The share of an OWNER in the funds and assets of the COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION cannot be assigned, hypothecated or transferred in any manner except as an appurtenance to the PROPERTY associated with the membership of the OWNER, nor may a membership be separately assigned, hypothecated or transferred in any manner except as an appurtenance to such PROPERTY.
- 4.4 <u>Voting Rights</u>. The total number of OWNERS' votes shall be equal to the total number of UNITS and PLANNED UNITS within the SUBJECT PROPERTY from time to time. On all matters upon which the membership shall be entitled to vote, there shall be one (1) vote for each UNIT and PLANNED UNIT.
  - 4.4.1 Each OWNER shall have the number of votes equal to the number of UNITS and PLANNED UNITS within the PROPERTY associated with the membership of such OWNER at the time of such vote.
  - 4.4.2 DECLARANT shall have one vote for each UNIT and each PLANNED UNIT contained within the PROPERTY owned by DECLARANT.
  - 4.4.3 In addition to the foregoing, the CLUB shall have the same number of votes as the property owned by the CLUB is deemed to have UNITS, pursuant to the DECLARATION.

4.5 The BYLAWS shall provide for an annual meeting of the members of the COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION and may make provision for special meetings of the members.

#### **ARTICLE 5 - DIRECTORS**

- 5.1 The affairs of the COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION shall be managed by a BOARD consisting of not less than three (3) directors, and which, except as otherwise provided in the BYLAWS, shall always be an odd number. The number of directors shall be determined in accordance with the BYLAWS.
  - 5.2 The directors of the COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION shall be elected by the members, except as provided in the BYLAWS.
- 5.3 All of the duties and powers of the COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION existing under Chapter 617 of the Florida Statutes, the DECLARATION, these ARTICLES and the BYLAWS shall be exercised exclusively by the BOARD, its agents, contractors or employees, subject to approval by the members only when specifically required.
- 5.4 Directors may be removed and vacancies on the BOARD shall be filled in the manner provided by the BYLAWS, however, any director appointed by DECLARANT or any PARCEL DEVELOPER may only be removed by DECLARANT or the PARCEL DEVELOPER has the right to appoint the director, and any vacancy on the BOARD shall be appointed by DECLARANT or a PARCEL DEVELOPER if, at the time such vacancy is to be filled, the number of remaining directors appointed by DECLARANT or the PARCEL DEVELOPER is less than the maximum number of directors which may, at that time, be appointed by DECLARANT or the PARCEL DEVELOPER as set forth above.

#### **ARTICLE 6 - OFFICERS**

The officers of the COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION shall be a President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer and such other officers as the BOARD may from time to time by resolution create. The officers shall serve at the pleasure of the BOARD, and the BYLAWS may provide for the removal from office of officers, for filling vacancies, and for the duties of the officers.

#### **ARTICLE 7 - INDEMNIFICATION**

7.1 The COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION shall indemnify any PERSON who was or is a party or is threatened to be made a party, to any threatened/pending or contemplated action, suit or proceeding, whether civil, criminal, administrative or investigative, by reason of the fact that he is or was a director, employee, officer or agent of the COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION, against expenses (including attorneys' thes and appellate attorneys' thes), judgments, fines and amounts paid in settlement actually and reasonably incurred by him in connection with such action, suit or proceeding if he acted in good faith and in a manner he reasonably believed to be in, or not opposed to, the best interest of the COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION; and, with respect to any criminal action or proceeding, if he had no reasonable cause to believe his conduct was unlawful; except, that no indemnification shall be made in respect to any claim, issue or matter as to which such PERSON shall have been adjudged to be liable for gross negligence or willful misfeasance or malfeasance in the

performance of his duty to the COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION unless and only to the extent that the court in which such action or suit was brought shall determine, upon application, that despite the adjudication of liability, but in view of all the circumstances of the case, such PERSON is fairly and reasonably entitled to indemnity for such expenses which such court shall deem proper. The termination of any action, suit or proceeding by judgment, order, settlement, conviction, or upon a plea of nolo contendere or its equivalent, shall not, in and of itself, create a presumption that the PERSON did not act in good faith and in a manner which he reasonably believed to be in, or not opposed to, the best interest of the COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION; and with respect to any criminal action or proceeding, that he had no reasonable cause to believe that his conduct was unlawful.

- 7.2 To the extent that a director, officer, employee or agent of the COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION has been successful on the merits or otherwise in defense of any action, suit or proceeding referred to in Paragraph 1 above, or in defense of any claim, issue or matter therein, he shall be indemnified against expenses (including attorneys' thes and appellate attorneys' thes) actually and reasonably incurred by him in connection therewith.
- 7.3 Any indemnification under Paragraph 1 above (unless ordered by a court) shall be made by the COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION only as authorized in the specific case upon a determination that indemnification of the director, officer, employee or agent is proper under the circumstances because he has met the applicable standard of conduct set forth in Paragraph 1 above. Such determination shall be made (a) by the BOARD by a majority vote of a quorum consisting of directors who were not parties to such action, suit or proceeding, or (b) if such quorum is not obtainable, or, even if obtainable, a quorum of disinterested directors so directs, by independent legal counsel in written opinion, or (c) by a majority vote of the members.
- 7.4 Expenses incurred in defending a civil or criminal action, suit or proceeding may be paid by the COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION in advance of the final disposition of such action, suit or proceeding as authorized by the BOARD in the specific case upon receipt of an undertaking by or on behalf of the director, officer, employee or agent to repay such amount unless it shall ultimately be determined that he is entitled to be indemnified by the COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION as authorized in this Article.
- 7.5 The indemnification provided by this Article shall not be deemed exclusive of any other rights to which those seeking indemnification may be entitled under the laws of the State of Florida, any Bylaw, agreement, vote of members or otherwise; and as to action taken in an official capacity while holding office, shall continue as to a PERSON who has ceased to be a director, officer, employee, or agent and shall inure to the benefit of the heirs, executors and administrators of such a PERSON.
- 7.6 The COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION shall have the power to purchase and maintain insurance on behalf of any PERSON who is or was a director, officer, employee or agent of the COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION, or is or was serving at the request of the COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION as a director, officer, employee or agent of another corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust or other enterprise, against any liability asserted against him and incurred by him in any such capacity, as arising out of his status as such, whether or not the COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION would have the power to indemnify him against such liability under the provisions of this Article.

#### **ARTICLE 8 - BYLAWS**

The first BYLAWS shall be adopted by the BOARD, and may be altered, amended or rescinded in the manner provided by the BYLAWS.

#### **ARTICLE 9 - AMENDMENTS**

Amendments to these ARTICLES shall be proposed and adopted in the following manner:

- 9.1 A majority of the BOARD shall adopt a resolution setting forth the proposed amendment and directing that it be submitted to a vote at a meeting of the members, which may be the annual or a special meeting.
- 9.2 Written notice setting forth the proposed amendment or a summary of the changes to be affected thereby shall be given to each member entitled to vote thereon within the time and in the manner provided in the BYLAWS for the giving of notice of a meeting of the members. If the meeting is an annual meeting, the proposed amendment or such summary may be included in the notice of such annual meeting.
- 9.3 At such meeting, a vote of the members entitled to vote thereon shall be taken on the proposed amendment. The proposed amendment shall be adopted upon receiving the affirmative vote of a majority of the votes of the entire membership of the COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION.
- 9.4 Any number of amendments may be submitted to the members and voted upon by them at any one meeting.
- 9.5 In addition to the above, so long as DECLARANT appoints a majority of the directors of the COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION, DECLARANT shall be entitled to unilaterally amend these ARTICLES and the BYLAWS. Furthermore, no amendment shall make any changes which would in any way affect any of the rights, privileges, power or options herein provided in favor of, or reserved to, DECLARANT, unless DECLARANT joins in the execution of the amendment.
- 9.6 Upon the approval of an amendment to these ARTICLES, Articles of Amendment shall be executed and delivered to the Department of State as provided by law, and a copy certified by the Deportment of State shall be recorded in the public records of the county in which the SUBJECT PROPERTY is located.
- 9.7 If any mortgage encumbering any UNIT is guaranteed or insured by the Federal Housing Administration or by the Veterans Administration, then the following action made by DECLARANT, or made by the members, prior to the completion of 76% of all of the UNITS which may be built within the SUBJECT PROPERTY, must be approved by either such agency: any annexation of additional properties; any merger, consolidation, or dissolution of the COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION; any mortgaging of any COMMON AREA; and any amendment to these ARTICLES or the BYLAWS, if such amendment materially and adversely affects the members or materially and adversely affects the general scheme of development created by the DECLARATION, provided however such approval shall specifically not be required where the amendment is made to correct errors for omissions, or is required to comply with the requirements of any INSTITUTIONAL LENDER, or is required by any governmental authority. Such approval shall be deemed given if either agency fails to deliver written notice of its disapproval of any amendment to DECLARANT or to the COMMUNITY

ASSOCIATION within 20 days after a request for such approval is delivered to the agency by certified mail, return receipt requested or equivalent delivery, and such approval shall be conclusively evidenced by a certificate of DECLARANT or the COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION that the approval was given or deemed given.

#### **ARTICLE 10 - TERM**

The COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION shall have perpetual existence.

#### <u>ARTICLE 11 - INCORPORATOR</u>

The name and street address of the incorporator is: Joel K. Goldman, 2601 South Bayshore Drive, Miami, Florida 33133.

## ARTICLE 12 - INITIAL REGISTERED OFFICE ADDRESS AND NAME OF INITIAL REGISTERED AGENT

The initial registered office of the COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION shall be at 2601 South Bayshore Drive, Miami, Florida 33133. The initial registered agent of the COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION at that address is Joel K. Goldman.

#### **ARTICLE 13 - DISSOLUTION**

The COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION may be dissolved as provided by law, provided that any such dissolution shall require the affirmative vote of 80% of all of the members. In the event of dissolution or final liquidation of the COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION, the assets, both real and personal of the COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION, shall be dedicated to an appropriate public agency or utility to be devoted to purposes as nearly as practicable to the same as those to which they were required to be devoted by the COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION. In the event that such dedication is refused acceptance, such assets shall be granted, conveyed and assigned to any nonprofit corporation, association, trust or other organization, to be devoted to purposes as nearly as practicable to the same as those to which they were required to be devoted by the COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION. No such disposition of COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION properties shall be effective to divest or diminish any right or title of any OWNER vested under the DECLARATION unless made in accordance with the provisions of such DECLARATION.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the incorporator and the initial registered agent have executed these ARTICLES. By executing these ARTICLES, the undersigned registered agent accepts the appointment as registered agent and states that the undersigned is familiar with, and accepts, the obligations of that position.

WITNESSES:	
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	Joel K. Goldman, as Incorporator and as
	Registered Agent

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## COUNTY OF MIAMI-DADE

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this 17<sup>th</sup> day of February, 1998, by Joel K. Goldman, as Incorporator and as Registered Agent. He is personally known to me.

NOTARY PUBLIC State of Florida at Large

My Commission Expires:

## ARTICLES OF AMENDMENT TO THE ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF

# WEST BAY CLUB COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION, INC. (a Florida not for profit corporation)

TO: Department of State Tallahassee, Florida 32304

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 617.1006 of the Florida Statutes, the undersigned corporation adopts the following articles of amendment to its Articles of Incorporation:

1. <u>NAME</u>: The name of the corporation is West Bay Club Community Association, Inc., a Florida not for profit corporation (the "Corporation").

#### 2. TEXT OF AMENDMENT:

The location of the property as set forth in the first sentence of the Preamble of the original Articles of Incorporation as being located in Collier County, Florida, is hereby amended to be Lee County, Florida.

- 3. The undersigned hereby states that this Amended Articles of Incorporation was adopted by the Board of Directors of the Corporation on March 10, 1999. The number of votes cast for the amendment was sufficient for approval. This amendment was adopted by the members on March 10, 1999.
- 4. The remainder of the provisions of the Articles of Incorporation shall remain as filed on February 20, 1998.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has executed these Articles of Amendment this  $11^{\rm th}$  day of March, 1999.

	By: Joel K. Goldman, Vice President
	Joor IX. Goldman, Vice Fresident
STATE OF FLORIDA	
COUNTY OF MIAMI-DADE	
The foregoing instrument was acknow	ledged before me this 11 <sup>th</sup> day of March, 1999, by Joel K.
5 5	munity Association, Inc., a Florida not for profit corporation, on
behalf of the corporation. He is personally known	
My commission expires:	

Hannah L. Wilson, Notary Public