## ROYAL SHORES COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION, INC.

I, the undersigned, being of the age of eighteen years or more, acting as incorporator of a corporation under the Texas Non-Profit Corporation Act., <u>Tex. Civ. Stat. Ann.</u> art.1396-01, <u>et seq.</u>, as it may be amended, do hereby adopt the following Articles of Incorporation for such corporation:

- Article 1. Name. The name of the Corporation is Royal Shores Community Association, Inc. ("Corporation or "Association").
  - Article 2. <u>Duration</u>. The Corporation shall have perpetual duration.
- Article 3. <u>Applicable Statute</u>. The Corporation is a non-profit corporation organized pursuant to the provisions of the Texas Non-Profit Corporation Act, Article 1396-1.01, <u>et seq</u>.
- Article 4. <u>Purposes and Powers</u>. The Corporation does not contemplate pecuniary gain or benefit, direct or indirect, to its members. In way of explanation and not of limitation, the purposes for which it is formed are:
- (a) to be and constitute the Association to which reference is made in the Declaration of Covenants, Conditions and Restrictions for Royal Shores, recorded or to be recorded in the Office of the County Clerk of Harris County, Texas, as it may be amended from time to time (the "Declaration"), to perform all obligations and duties of the Association, and to exercise all rights and powers of the Association, as specified therein, in the By-Laws, and as provided by law; and
- (b) to provide an entity for the furtherance of the interests of the owners of property subject to the Declaration.

In furtherance of its purposes, the Corporation shall have the following powers, which, unless indicated otherwise by the Declaration or By-Laws, may be exercised by the Board of Directors:

- (a) all of the powers conferred upon non-profit corporations by common law and the statutes of the State of Texas in effect from time to time;
- (b) all of the powers necessary or desirable to perform the obligations and duties and to exercise the rights and powers set out in these Articles, the By-Laws, or the Declaration, including, without limitation, the following:
- (i) to fix, levy, and collect assessments and other charges to be levied against the property subject to the Declaration and to enforce payment thereof by any lawful means;
- (ii) to manage, control, operate, maintain, preserve, repair, and improve the common area and facilities, and any property subsequently acquired by the Corporation, or any property owned by another, for which the Corporation, by rule, regulation, Declaration, or contract, has a right or duty to provide such services;
- (iii) to enforce covenants, conditions, or restrictions affecting any property to the extent the Association may be authorized to do so under the Declaration or By-Laws;
- (iv) to engage in activities which will actively foster, promote, and advance the common interests of all owners of property subject to the Declaration;
- (v) to buy or otherwise acquire, sell, or otherwise dispose of, mortgage, or otherwise encumber, exchange, lease, hold, use, operate, and otherwise deal in and with real, personal, and mixed property of all kinds and any right or interest therein for any purpose of the Corporation, which shall include the power to foreclose its lien on any property subject to the Declaration by judicial or nonjudicial means;
- (vi) to borrow money for any purpose subject to such limitations as may be contained in the By-Laws;

- (vii) to enter into, make, perform, and enforce contracts of every kind and description, and to do all other acts necessary, appropriate, or advisable in carrying out any purpose of the Association, with or in association with any other association, corporation, or other entity or agency, public or private;
- (viii) to act as agent, trustee, or other representative of other corporations, firms, or individuals, and as such to advance the business or ownership interests in such corporations, firms, or individuals;
- (ix) to adopt, alter and amend or repeal such By-Laws as may be necessary or desirable for the proper management of the affairs of the Association; provided, however, such By-Laws may not be inconsistent with or contrary to any provisions of the Declaration; and
- (x) to provide or contract for services benefitting the property subject to the Declaration, including, without limitation, garbage removal and any and all supplemental municipal services as may be necessary or desirable.

The foregoing enumeration of powers shall not limit or restrict in any manner the exercise of other and further rights and powers which may now or hereafter be allowed or permitted by law; provided, none of the objects or purposes herein set out shall be construed to authorize the Corporation to do any act in violation of the Texas Non-Profit Corporation Act, and all such objects or purposes are subject to said Act.

The powers specified in each of the paragraphs of this Article 4 are independent powers, not to be restricted by reference to or inference from the terms of any other paragraph or provision of this Article 4.

Article 5. <u>Definitions</u>. All capitalized terms used in these Articles of incorporation shall be defined in the same manner as defined in the Declaration, which definitions are incorporated herein by this reference.

Article 6. Membership. The Corporation shall be a membership corporation without certificates or shares of stock. All Members (as defined in the Declaration), which shall be the Declarant and all Owners (the terms Declarant and Owner are defined in the Declaration) are members of the Association. The members shall be divided into classes and entitled to a vote in accordance with the By-Laws and Declaration.

Article 7. <u>Board of Directors</u>. The business and affairs of the Corporation shall be conducted, managed, and controlled by a Board of Directors. The Board may delegate such operating authority to such companies, individuals, or committees as it, in its discretion, may determine. The Board shall consist of no less than three (3) and no more than five (5) members. The initial Board of Directors shall consist of the following three (3) members:

Liz Dantone 550 Greens Road, Suite 100 Houston, Texas 77067

Nan Peavey 550 Greens Road, Suite 100 Houston, Texas 77067

David Lowe 550 Greens Road, Suite 100 Houston, Texas 77067

The method of election, removal and filing of vacancies, and the term of office and number of directors shall be as set forth in the By-Laws.

Article 8. <u>Liability of Directors</u>. <u>Indemnification</u>. To the fullest extent permitted by Texas statutes, as the same exist or as they may hereafter be amended (but, in the case of any such amendment,

only to the extent that such amendment permits broader limitation than permitted prior to such amendment), a director or the Corporation shall not be liable to the Corporation for monetary damages for an act or omission in the director's capacity as a director. Any repeal or amendment of this Article 8 by the Corporation shall be prospective only and shall not adversely affect any limitation on the personal liability of a director of the Corporation existing at the time of such repeal or amendment.

The Corporation may indemnify a person who was, is, or is threatened to be made and named defendant or respondent in litigation or other proceedings because the person is or was a director or other person related to the Corporation as provided by the provisions of the Texas Non-Profit Corporation Act governing indemnification. The Board of Directors shall have the power to define the requirements and limitations for the Corporation to indemnify directors, officers, members and others related to the Corporation as provided in the provisions of the Texas Non-Profit Corporation Act governing indemnification.

Article 9. <u>Dissolution</u>. The Corporation may be dissolved only as provided in the By-Laws, and by the laws of the State of Texas. Any dissolution shall be subject to the terms of Article 11 hereof, if applicable.

Article 10. Amendments. Subject to the provisions of the Texas Non-Profit Corporation Act, these Articles of Incorporation may be amended with the approval of the Board of Directors and members holding two-thirds (2/3) of the votes represented in person or by proxy at a meeting and the approval of the Class "B" member, so long as such membership exists. No amendment shall conflict with the Declaration nor shall any amendment be effective to impair or dilute any rights of members that are granted by the Declaration.

Article 11. Registered Agent and Office. The initial registered office of the Corporation is 550 Greens Road, Suite 100, Houston, Texas 77067, and the initial registered agent at such address is Nan Peavey.

Article 12. Incorporator. The name and address of the incorporator is as follows:

Sarah Ann Powers Hoover, Bax & Slovacek, L.L.P. 5847 San Felipe, Suite 2200 Houston, Texas 77057

IN WITNESS	WHEREOF,	the	undersigned	incorporator	has	executed	these	Articles	of
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SAR					ARAH ANN POWERS, Incorporator				



## The State of Texas

## Secretary of State

CERTIFICATE OF INCORPORATION

OF

ROYAL SHORES COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION, INC.
CHARTER NUMBER 01624269

THE UNDERSIGNED, AS SECRETARY OF STATE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS, HEREBY CERTIFIES THAT THE ATTACHED ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION FOR THE ABOYE NAMED CORPORATION HAVE BEEN RECEIVED IN THIS OFFICE AND ARE FOUND TO CONFORM TO LAW.

ACCORDINGLY, THE UNDERSIGNED, AS SECRETARY OF STATE, AND BY VIRTUE OF THE AUTHORITY VESTED IN THE SECRETARY BY LAW, HEREBY ISSUES THIS CERTIFICATE OF INCORPORATION.

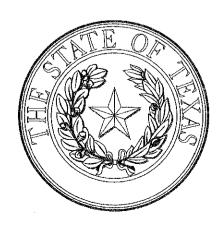
ISSUANCE OF THIS CERTIFICATE OF INCORPORATION DOES NOT AUTHORIZE

THE USE OF A CORPORATE NAME IN THIS STATE IN VIOLATION OF THE RIGHTS OF

ANOTHER UNDER THE FEDERAL TRADEMARK ACT OF 1946, THE TEXAS TRADEMARK LAW,

THE ASSUMED BUSINESS OR PROFESSIONAL NAME ACT OR THE COMMON LAW.

DATED APR. 11, 2001 EFFECTIVE APR. 11, 2001



Henry Cuellar, Secretary of State



Secretary of State
APR. 11, 2001

HOOVER BAX SLOVACEK
5847 SAN FELIPE #2200
HOUSTON ,TX 77057

RE: ROYAL SHORES COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION, INC.

CHARTER NUMBER 01624269-01

IT HAS BEEN OUR PLEASURE TO APPROVE AND PLACE ON RECORD THE ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION THAT CREATED YOUR CORPORATION. WE EXTEND OUR BEST WISHES FOR SUCCESS IN YOUR NEW VENTURE.

AS A CORPORATION, YOU ARE SUBJECT TO STATE TAX LAWS. SOME NON-PROFIT CORPORATIONS ARE EXEMPT FROM THE PAYMENT OF FRANCHISE TAXES AND MAY ALSO BE EXEMPT FROM THE PAYMENT OF SALES AND USE TAX ON THE PURCHASE OF TAXABLE ITEMS. IF YOU FEEL THAT UNDER THE LAW YOUR CORPORATION IS ENTITLED TO BE EXEMPT YOU MUST APPLY TO THE COMPTROLLER OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTS FOR THE EXEMPTION. THE SECRETARY OF STATE CANNOT MAKE SUCH DETERMINATION FOR YOUR CORPORATION.

IF WE CAN BE OF FURTHER SERVICE AT ANY TIME, PLEASE LET US KNOW.



VERY TRULY YOURS.

Henry Cuellar, Secretary of State

HOOVER, BAX & SLOVACEK, L.L.P.

A REGISTERED LIMITED LIABILITY PARTNERSHIP

SARAH ANN POWERS OF COUNSEL

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May 1, 2001

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Via Federal Express

Liz Dantone Friendswood Development 550 Greens Parkway, Suite 100 Houston, Texas 77067-4526

Re:

Royal Shores Community Association, Inc.

Dear Liz:

Enclosed please find the original of the Certificate and Articles of Incorporation of Royal Shores Community Association, Inc.

Sincerely,

HOOVER, BAX & SLOVACEK, L.L.P.

Sarah Ann Powers

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