

STATE OF ALABAMA

SHELBY COUNTY

THE WILLOWS

DECLARATION OF PROTECTIVE COVENANTS, RESTRICTIONS, EASEMENTS,
RIGHTS AND LIENS

This Declaration of Protective Covenants, Restrictions, Easements, Rights and Liens is made on this the 14th day of January, 2000, by Kenny Cost, and Don Lowery, the owners of the property described below (hereinafter referred to as the "Owner") which property is to be developed as a residential subdivision known as the Willows.

WITNESSETH

WHEREAS, Kenny Cost and Don Lowery are the simple owner of certain real property located in Shelby County, Alabama, which is more particularly described as follows (hereinafter referred to as the "Real Estate"):

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WHEREAS, the Owner intends to develop the Real Estate and the Common Area (the Real Estate and Common Area being hereinafter sometimes collectively referred to as the "Property") pursuant to a general subdivision plan covering all the Property and subject to certain protective covenants, restrictions, easements, rights, equitable servitudes, liens and charges, all running with the land.

WHEREAS, the plan for the Property provides for the Real Estate to be subdivided into lots on which single-family dwellings will be constructed (hereinafter such lots being referred to as "Lots").

NOW, THEREFORE, in order to enhance and protect the value, attractiveness and desirability of the Property, and in furtherance of a general plan for the development, protection, maintenance, improvement, and sale of the Property, the Owner hereby declares that all the Property shall be subject to the following covenants, restrictions, easements, rights, equitable servitudes, liens and charges:

1. LAND USE. The Real Estate shall be used exclusively for residential purposes. No building shall be constructed, placed or permitted to remain on any Lot other than one single-family dwelling no more than two and one-half stories in height (excluding any subterranean basement). No part of the property shall be used or caused to be used in any way, directly or indirectly, for any business, commercial, manufacturing, warehousing or other such nonresidential purpose, except, that the Owner may use the Property as a model home site, and may operate display and sales offices on the Property for the purpose of selling Lots for as long as the Owner continues to own any portion of the Property.

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2. **PARKING.** No automobile, truck, house trailer, camper, boat, dune buggy or any other type vehicle shall be parked or maintained on any permanent basis on the right-of-way or in front of any lot. Only vehicles used for day-to-day transportation of the property owners, their families or invitees may be kept or stored on the property. No house trailer, dune buggies, or inoperable vehicles may be kept or stored on the premises. Campers and boats may be stored on the premises but must be stored in the back of the house. Nothing contained in this paragraph shall preclude guests or invitees of any lot owner from parking in the front of any lot as long as such guest or invitee parks in the designated parking area and parks only on a temporary basis. Ownership of each lot shall entitle the owner or owners thereof to the use of not more than two automobile parking spaces, which shall be as near and convenient to said lot as reasonably possible, together with the right of egress in and upon said parking area.

3. **DWELLING SIZE.** Every dwelling must contain not fewer than 1000 square feet of heated space.

4. **SET-BACK REQUIREMENTS.** Dwelling shall be constructed and placed on a Lot in conformance with the minimum building set-back requirements set forth in applicable municipal or county ordinances from time to time in effect or as may be indicated on the recorded plat covering the Property. Owner reserves the right to grant waivers for setback violations on the recorded plat.

5. **NUISANCES.** No noxious or offensive activity, or activity which is, or may become, and unreasonable nuisance or annoyance to any Lot owner, shall be conducted or permitted in or around any portion of the Property. No loud noises or noxious odors shall be emitted or permitted on the Property.

6. **TEMPORARY STRUCTURES.** No tent, shack or shed of any kind shall be placed upon any portion of the Property, unless approved by the owners in the form of a utility building of the same material and color of the house. No temporary structures will be permitted other than temporarily structures of offices erected by the Owner in connection with the construction and sale of single-family dwellings on the Lots. No garage, trailer, camper, motor home or recreation vehicle shall be used as a residence on the Property, either temporarily or permanently.

7. **SIGNS AND ANTENNAS.** No sign, poster, display, billboard or other advertising device of any kind shall be erected or displayed to the public view on any portion of the Property, except one sign of not more than 6 square feet advertising a Lot for sale or rent may be placed on the Lot, and signs, regardless of size, used by the Owner to advertise the Property during the period in which the Owner is constructing and/or selling dwellings on the Property, may be placed on the Property. A standard Antenna or satellite dish no larger than 18" in diameter may be placed on the west side of the dwelling.

8. **OIL AND MINING OPERATIONS.** No exploration, drilling, development or refining of or for hydrocarbons, or quarrying or mining operation of any kind, shall be conducted or permitted upon or under any portion of the property, and no wells, tanks, tunnels, surface mines or underground mines shall be permitted thereon or therein. No derrick or other structure designed for use in boring or drilling for water, oil or natural gas shall be erected, maintained or permitted upon the Property.

9. ANIMALS. No animals, livestock or poultry of any kind shall be raised, bred or kept upon the Property, except the usual and ordinary household pets (e.g. dogs, cats, fish and birds) may be kept on the Property, provided that such animals are not kept, bred or maintained for commercial purposes or in unreasonable numbers.

10. GARBAGE AND REFUSE DISPOSAL. No portion of the Property shall be used or maintained as a dumping ground for wastes, rubbish or garbage. All such refuse stored or kept on the Property must be placed in sanitary containers, and no noxious or foul odor shall be permitted or emanate therefrom.

11. COVENANTS TO RUN WITH THE LAND. The covenants, restrictions, easements, rights, equitable servitudes, liens and charges set forth herein shall (a) run with the land (the Property); (b) be binding upon any and every person or entity having any rights, title or interest in the Property, or any part thereof, and such person's or entity's heirs, executors, administrators, successors and assigns; (c) inure to the benefit of every portion of the Property and every interest therein; (d) inure to the benefit of, and be binding upon, the Owner, its successors in interest, and each grantee from the owner of any interest in the Property and such grantee's successor in interest; and (e) be binding and in effect for a period of twenty-five years from the date this instrument is recorded in the Probate Office of Shelby County, Alabama, after which period said covenants, restrictions, easements, rights, equitable servitudes, liens and charges shall this instrument, executed by a majority of the then owners of not less than three-fourths of the Lots, shall be recorded in the Probate Office of Shelby County, Alabama.

12. APPLICATION TO OWNER. Notwithstanding any provisions herein to the contrary, nothing contained in this instrument shall prevent, hinder or limit the Owner in any manner whatsoever in connection with the development of the Property and the construction and sale of the homes on the Property, and any provision have such effect shall be null, void and unenforceable against the Owner.

13. CONSENT OF LOT OWNERS. Whenever the consent of the owners of the Lots is required with respect to any described herein, the consent of the owner or owners of any Lot shall be deemed given if the record owner of such Lot (or a majority of such record owners, if more than one) shall evidence such consent in writing.

14. EXTERIOR MAINTENANCE. Each lot owner shall, from time to time, paint and otherwise maintain the exterior of his or her dwelling as needed. Such maintenance and painting shall be done in a manner harmonious with the remaining homes and shall not be completed in such a manner, color, or design so as to disrupt the harmonious blending of the original architectural plans of the other homes.

15. The undersigned owner reserves the right to modify, release, amend, void, transfer or delegate all the right, reservations, and restrictions herein set forth, or the right to modify, release, amend, void or transfer any one, or more, of the said herein set forth restrictions on Lots in the said subdivision.

16. Invalidity of any one of these provisions or covenants by judgements, or court order, shall in no way affect any of the other provisions which shall remain in full force and effect.

17. ENFORCEMENT. IF any lot owner, or their heirs or assigns shall violate, or attempt to violate, any of the covenants herein, it shall be lawful for any other person, or persons, owning real property situated in said development, or subdivision to prosecute and proceedings at law in equity against the person, or persons, violating or attempting to violate any such covenant, and either to prevent him, her, or them, from doing, or to recover damages or other dues from such violation.

18. COVENANT WITH RESPECT TO MAINTENANCE OF LOTS AND IMPROVEMENTS. Each owner shall keep his or her lot and the structure thereon in good order and repair including, but not limited to, the seeding, watering, and mowing of all lawns, the pruning and cutting of all trees and shrubbery, and the painting (or other appropriate external care) of the structure all in a manner and with such frequency as is consistent with good property management. No owner of any lot shall modify the structure on his or her lot by adding a room or rooms, changing the roof lines, adding decks, materially changing or altering the color or making other alterations in the exterior appearance of the structure with the express written approval of the Planning Commission to the City of Calera, Alabama. Each owner, in acquiring title to his or her respective lot, acknowledges that the decor, color scheme, and design have been selected in such a manner to be consistent and harmonious with other houses within the subdivision and agrees to maintain his or her respective lot and structure in such a manner as to maintain and perpetuate the visual harmony within the subdivision.

19. DAMAGE OR DESTRUCTION. In the event of damage or destruction to any structure within the subdivision, the respective owner thereof agrees as follows:

(i) In the event of total destruction, the owner shall within sixty (60) days clear the lot of debris and commence to rebuild and reconstruct the structure in conformity with the colors, materials, plans, and specifications of the original structure destroyed, subject to any changes or modifications as may be approved by the Architectural Control Committee.

(ii) In the case partial damage or destruction, the owner shall, as promptly as an insurance adjustment may be made, cause the damage or destruction to be repaired and restored in a first class condition in accordance with the plans and specifications of the original structure. In no event shall any damage structure be left unrepaired and unrestored for in excess of sixty (60) days.

20. ARCHITECTURAL CONTROL COMMITTEE. No fence, or wall shall be erected, placed, or altered on any lot until the construction plans and specifications and a plan showing the location of the structure have been approved by the Builders and Developers as to quality of workmanship and materials, harmony or external design with existing structures, and as to location with respect to topography and finish grade elevation. Approval shall be provided as hereinbelow set forth. No fence shall be over six (6) feet in height, and must be constructed of wood from the rear of the dwelling. No chain link fence or wood substitute will be permitted.

(i) ARCHITECTURAL CONTROL COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP. A majority of the committee may designate a representative to act for it. In the event of death or resignation of any member of the committee, the remaining members shall have full authority to designate a successor. Neither the members of the committee nor its designated representative shall be entitled to any compensation for services preformed pursuant to this covenant.

(ii) The Architectural Control Committee shall serve until such time as Owner has conveyed by recorded deed all of the subject real estate. Upon the occurrence of said event, the then record owners of the majority of the lots within the said subdivision which have been committed and made subject to these covenants shall have the power through a duly recorded written instrument to change the membership or the committee from time but no more frequently than once in any twelve (12) month period.

(iii) Each homeowner will agree to become a member of the WILLOWS Homeowners Association which will be organized after the sale of six (6) homes, and will pay membership dues as determined by the Association.

(iv) The covenants will apply to all sectors of the WILLOWS.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned Kenny Cost and Don Lowery, has hereunto set its hand and seal on this 1st day of January in the year 2000.

ATTEST:

Kenny Cost and Don Lowery

James Dale Wilson
J D Short

Kenneth Dale Cost
Donald E Lowery

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