### DECLARATION OF COVENANTS, CONDITIONS, RESTRICTIONS, EASEMENTS, CHARGES AND LIENS FOR LEDGE STONE RANCH SUBDIVISION

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This Declaration is made on the date hereinafter set forth by Brown County TX Developers, LLC, a Delaware Limited Liability Company, hereinafter referred to as "Developer" or "Declarant".

#### WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, Developer is the owner of that certain tract of land located in Brown County, Texas, containing 391.58 acres, said land being more fully described on the map and plat recorded under Volume 5, Pages 387-388 of the Plat Records of Brown County, Texas, hereinafter referred to as "Ledge Stone Ranch Subdivision," "Property" or "Subdivision"; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire and purpose of Developer to place certain restrictions, easements, covenants, conditions, charges, liens and reservations (hereinafter referred to as "Restrictions" or "Declaration") upon the Subdivision in order to establish a uniform plan for its development, assure the use of the Property for residential purposes only, prevent nuisances, prevent the impairment of the value of the Property, maintain the desired character of the community, and insure the preservation of such uniform plan for the benefit of the present and future Owners of the Property;

NOW, THEREFORE, Developer hereby adopts, establishes and imposes upon the Property, the following Restrictions for the purposes of enhancing and protecting the value, desirability and attractiveness of the Property, which Restrictions shall run with the land and inure to the benefit of each Tract Owner and his invitees:

# ARTICLE I DEFINITIONS

- 1.01. <u>Architectural Control Committee or ACC</u>. "Architectural Control Committee" or "ACC" shall mean the Developer until the Control Transfer Date and thereafter a committee initially appointed by the Developer pursuant to these Restrictions to review and approve plans for the construction of Improvements as more specifically provided by Article VIII hereof.
- 1.02. <u>Annual Assessment</u>. "Annual Assessment" means the amount set forth in Section 5.02 hereof.

- 1.03. Assessment. "Assessment" means the Annual Assessment, Special Assessments or other charges, interest, penalties and fees authorized by these Restrictions together with the cost and expense incurred in collecting Assessments, including, but not limited to court costs and attorney's fees.
- 1.04. <u>Association</u>. "Association" means and refers to the Developer until the Control Transfer Date and thereafter Ledge Stone Ranch Property Owners' Association, Inc. and its successors and assigns.
- 1.05. <u>Board of Directors</u>. "Board of Directors" means and refers to the Developer prior to the Control Transfer Date and the thereafter, the Board of Directors of the Association appointed by the Developer and/or elected by the Members of the Association.
- 1.06. <u>Bylaws</u>. "Bylaws" mean the Bylaws of the Association as from time to time amended.
- 1.07. Common Area. "Common Area" means the portions of the Subdivision, including any applicable easements, owned by the Developer (prior to the Control Transfer Date) or the Association for the common use and enjoyment of the Members including, but not limited to, the entrance gates, mailbox clusters, landscaping, easements and Roads together with such other property as the Association may acquire in the future for the common use and enjoyment of the Members. The Association is responsible for the liability and maintenance of the Common Area.
- 1.08. Common Area Expense. "Common Area Expense" means all expense necessary to maintain, replace, repair and expand the Common Area as well as all necessary expense to operate the Association including, casualty and liability insurance, directors and officer's liability insurance and all other reasonable and necessary expenses of the Association. Additionally, Common Area Expense shall include, but are not limited to (a) the cost of repair and maintenance of the Roads, (b) mowing of the Common Area, (c) Common Area maintenance and replacement of landscaping, (d) maintenance of any drainage facilities, and (e) as well as such other expense and capital enhancements as may be determined by the Board of Directors to promote the safety, health, recreation and welfare of the Members and maintain the Subdivision in an attractive manner.
- 1.09. Control Transfer Date. The "Control Transfer Date" shall mean the earlier date of 1.) Developer no longer owns any part of the entire Subdivision, including but not limited to Common Area; 2.) Fifteen (15) years from date of recordation of this Declaration; or 3.) Developer, in its sole discretion, voluntarily relinquishes control of the Association as set forth herein. Notwithstanding this provision, on or before the 120th day after the date seventy five percent (75%) of the lots that may be created and made subject to this Declaration are conveyed to owners other than Developer, at least one-third of the board members must be elected by owners other than the Developer.
- 1.10. <u>Developer</u>. "Developer" means and refers to Brown County TX Developers, LLC, a Delaware Limited Liability Company, its successors and assigns.

- 1.11. Improvement. "Improvement" means every structure and all appurtenances of every type and kind, including but not limited to buildings, outbuilding, patios, storage building, barn, guest quarter, garage, carport, decks, stairs, retaining walls, screening walls, fences, landscaping art or statuary, poles, signs, exterior air conditioning units, exterior water softener fixtures or equipment, pumps, wells, tanks, reservoirs, pipes, utilities, lines, meters, swimming pools, water retainage structures, antennas, towers, satellite dishes or any other sound or data receivers or transmitters. The term "Improvement" excludes the interior of each residence, guest quarter, barn or other approved building and the ACC shall have no authority to approve or disapprove improvements made to the interior of such buildings where the exterior of the building is not affected by the interior improvement.
- 1.12. <u>Member</u>. "Member" means and refers to every current Owner of a Tract of land within the Subdivision.
- 1.13. Notice. Whenever any "notice" is required by these Restrictions, such notices shall be in writing and shall be deemed received when actually received, or five days after the deposit of such notice in the United States mail, postage prepaid and addressed to the last known address of an Owner appearing on the books of the Association, whether or not such notice is actually received. It shall be the duty of each Tract Owner to keep the Association apprised of its current address.
- 1.14. Owner or Tract Owner. "Owner" or "Tract Owner" means and refers to the record owner, whether one or more persons or entities of the fee-simple title to any Lot(s) shown on the Plat, but shall not mean or refer to any mortgagee or subsequent holder of a mortgage, unless and until such mortgagee or holder has acquired title pursuant to foreclosure or any proceedings in lieu of foreclosure. Said term "Owner" shall also refer to the heirs, successors and assigns of any Owner. The Developer shall not be deemed an Owner.
- 1.15. Plans and Specifications. "Plans and Specifications" means any and all drawings and documents describing the construction or erection of any Improvement, including, but not limited to, those indicating location, size, shape, configuration, materials, site plans, excavation and grading plans, foundation plans, drainage plans, fencing plans, elevation drawings, floor plans, specifications concerning building products and construction techniques, samples of exterior colors and materials, plans for utility services, and all other documentation or information relevant to the construction or installation of any Improvement.
- 1.16. <u>Plat</u>. "Plat" means and refers to the plat of Ledge Stone Ranch Subdivision filed under Volume 5, Pages 387-388 of the Plat Records of Brown County, Texas, and any and all subsequent revisions or amendments thereof recorded with the Brown County Clerk's Office, Brown County, Texas.
- 1.17. Roads or Road. Roads or Road means property or any road located within the Subdivision which has been dedicated for the purpose of ingress and egress through the Subdivision for the benefit of the Tract Owners. The Roads in the Subdivision will be

gravel and maintenance of the Roads shall be sole the responsibility of the Ledge Stone Ranch Property Owners' Association.

- 1.18. <u>Special Assessment</u>. "Special Assessment" shall have the meaning given to that term in Section 5.03 hereof.
- 1.19. <u>Tract or Lot</u>. "Tract" or "Lot" means the 40 individual tracts of land or lots identified on the Plat or any amendments thereto.
- 1.20. <u>Vote of the Members</u>. "Vote of the Members" means the affirmative vote of two thirds (2/3) of the Members entitled to vote who are present at a meeting of Members, either in person or by written proxy, or by written ballot. In accordance with Section 5.04, only one Member is entitled to vote for each Tract and only one vote shall be counted for each Tract even though a Tract may have several Owners.

### ARTICLE II RESTRICTIONS

- 2.01. <u>Single Family Residences</u>. Each Tract shall be used for single family residential purposes only.
- 2.02. <u>Minimum Square Footage</u>. The main residence constructed on a Tract shall have least one thousand twelve hundred square feet (1,200 sf) within its outside walls and must be constructed with a minimum of three feet (3') of wainscot, constructed of stone or brick, on the front side of the exterior.
- 2.03. <u>Timeline for Construction</u>. Upon start of construction, the exterior of any main residence must be completed within twelve (12) months from the slab being poured and must be built to applicable building and windstorm/flood codes.
- 2.04. <u>Limit on Structures</u>. No more than three (3) structures may be constructed on a Tract. This limitation is to limit the number of major structures, such as the main residence, a modular cabin, outbuildings, storage buildings, barns, guest quarters and garages. Specifically, not considered as a major structure, includes, but is not limited to a well house or a dog house.
- 2.05. Construction Materials. All Improvements must be built with new construction materials and must be built in place on the Tract. All construction materials used shall be of materials such as wood, rock, brick, hardiplank, stucco or metal. The use of aluminum siding or vinyl siding is prohibited. The Architectural Control Committee or the Developer (prior to Control Transfer Date) may authorize the use of other materials on a case by case basis. Barndominium style homes are allowed for the main residence. As a clarification, a bardominium style home is allowed for the main residence, but this does not alter the prohibition set forth in paragraph 2.09 that an Owner may not permanently live in a quest quarter constructed within a barn. Log cabins may be built as long as they

comply with building requirements (including the three foot (3') masonry wainscot on the front side of the exterior).

2.06. Temporary Structures & Use of RVs. No structure of a temporary character, whether trailer, motor home, recreational vehicle, tent, basement, shack, garage, barn or other outbuilding shall be maintained or used on any Tract at any time as a residence, either temporarily or permanently, except as provided below. No Tract shall be used as a camping ground, and no tent camping is allowed.

Prior to the construction of a residence on a Tract, an Owner may use a recreational vehicle camper or motor home ("Recreation Vehicle" or "RV") for camping purposes no more than seven (7) days out of any thirty (30) day period and no more than twenty-five (25) days per year. TEMPORARY RV CAMPING OR USING ANY TYPE OF RECREATIONAL VEHICLE, WILL NO LONGER BE PERMITTED, ONCE EIGHTY (80) OR MORE RESIDENCES HAVE BEEN BUILT ON THE LOTS IN THE SUBDIVISION. With written approval from the ACC, an RV may be used as a temporary residence during construction, not to exceed twelve (12) months, provided an approved septic system has been installed for the RV and the RV is placed at the rear of the construction site.

Temporary structures, including a business office, portable restroom facilities, or construction storage facilities may be located on a Tract while the main residence for a Tract is actively under construction, provided that such are removed upon substantial completion of construction and are not located on a Tract for longer than the time allowed for construction of a main residence pursuant to Section 2.03 above.

- 2.07. Storage of Trailers, RVs, Boats and other Vehicles and Equipment. All trailers, RV's, trucks (other than pickups with a rated capacity of (1) Ton or less), boats, personal watercraft, tractors, wagons, buses, motorcycles, motor scooters, all-terrain vehicles, golf carts, and other recreational vehicles, lawn or garden equipment, farm or ranch equipment, construction equipment, and other similar items must be screened from view of the road unless they are stored under a carport.
- 2.08. Guest Quarter. One guest quarter may be built upon each Tract provided the guest quarter contains no less than five hundred (500) square feet and is no more than half the size of the main residence. A guest quarter must be built along with or after the construction of the main residence and may not be built or occupied prior to the main residence unit being occupied. A guest quarter must be constructed with material harmonious with the main residence, and located behind main residence. A guest quarter shall not be rented for income, unless it is rented along with the main residence.
- 2.09. <u>Barns With A Guest Quarter</u>. Guest quarters located inside of a barn which is constructed on a Tract shall be allowed, so long as the guest quarters are not used as a permanent residence. Guest quarters shall not be rented for income, unless it is rented along with the main residence, and cannot compromise more than fifty percent (50%) of the interior space of such barn. Such guest quarters may be used as a "weekend getaway" for such Tract Owner prior to the construction of the main residence but cannot be used as a

Tract Owner's permanent residence; this prohibition applies even on a temporary basis when the main residence is being constructed.

- 2.10. <u>Barns and Workshops</u>. One permanent metal, rock, brick, stucco and/or hardiplank barn or workshop shall be allowed but it must have the required three foot (3') masonry wainscot on the front side. Such structures must be located behind the main residence and may be constructed on the Tract prior to the main residence being constructed or occupied. No portable storage buildings shall be allowed.
- 2.11. <u>Garages</u>. All single family residential units, except an approved guest quarter, must have a garage or carport. All garages and carports must be constructed out of the same materials as used for the main residence. All garages must open from the side or rear of the residence.
- 2.12. Fencing and Light Posts. Fences and light posts, if any, must be approved prior to Construction and must be constructed of new material unless otherwise permitted by the Architectural Control Committee or Developer (prior to the Control Transfer Date). Fences may be ranch style fencing. Fence heights shall not exceed eight feet (8'). Chain link fencing is prohibited, except if used as a dog run and only if such fencing is not visible from any road.
- 2.13. <u>Driveways</u>. All driveways must be shown on the plans submitted to the Architectural Control Committee or Developer (prior to the Control Transfer Date), completed no later than thirty (30) days after the completion of the main residence and approved by the Architectural Control Committee or Developer (prior to the Control Transfer Date) prior to construction. Driveway culverts must be installed and shall be of sufficient size to afford proper drainage of ditches without allowing water to pool, back up or be diverted from its natural course.
- 2.14. No Mobile Homes, Manufactured Homes or Modular Cabins. Mobile homes, manufactured homes or modular cabins are prohibited on a Tract.
- 2.15. <u>Junk and Debris</u>. No junk cars, abandoned cars or scrap, trash, landscaping trimmings or other debris may be placed on a Tract. The designation of such an item as being a violation under this section is at the sole and absolute discretion of the Association.
- 2.16. Animal Husbandry. Domestic livestock and exotic animals shall be allowed only on Tracts ten (10) acres or larger, so long as such animals do not exceed one (1) animal for every two (2) fenced acres and do not become a nuisance or threat to other Owners. Domestic livestock and exotic animals are not allowed on a Tract until after the main residence is constructed and occupied. The Association shall have the sole discretion in determining if any animal is a nuisance and make regulations on banning such animal. Pigs, hogs and peacocks are not allowed on any Tract. Chickens, turkeys and other birds shall only be allowed so long as such birds are kept in a coop and do not exceed twenty (20) birds per Tract. Regardless of lot size, coops must be preapproved by the ACC in writing to ensure they are screened from view. All animals being raised by the individual Tract

Owners must be kept in a fenced area on the Owner's Tract. No overgrazing is permitted on any portion of the Tract as determined by the sole discretion of the Association. Dogs, cats or other common household pets may be kept on a Tract. Dogs will not be permitted to run loose in the Subdivision. Dogs and cats must be vaccinated for rabies and other diseases required by applicable laws, rules and regulations and shall be licensed or registered as may be required by applicable laws, rules and regulations. No feedlots of any type shall be permitted.

- 2.17. Signs. No signs for advertising, or billboards, may be placed on a Tract with the exception of one professionally made "for sale" sign. Signs erected on any Tract advertising a Tract for sale shall not be permitted during the Developer's control of the Subdivision. However, a Builder can place one professional sign on a Lot advertising his services or residence for sale. Political signs for a political candidate or ballot item for election, as set forth in the Texas Election Code §259.002, may be displayed on a Lot but can only be displayed on or after the 90<sup>th</sup> day before the date of the election to which the sign relates and must be removed eleven (11) days after the election.
- 2.18. <u>Subdividing is Prohibited</u>. No Tract of land in the Subdivision can be subdivided.
- 2.19. Consolidated Building Site. Any Owner of one or more adjoining Tracts may, with the prior written approval of the Board of Directors and with the approval of the Brown County Commissioners Court, consolidate two or more Tracts into one Tract or building site, in which case the common boundary line between any combined Tract shall be eliminated and the setback lines shall be measured from the remaining exterior boundary lines. Any portion of any utility easement located within the common boundary lines of any combined Tract shall be eliminated if such utility easements are not being used at the time any Tracts are combined. No Tract shall be deemed to be combined with another Tract until such time as an appropriate re-plat of the combined Tracts is filed with the Brown County Plat Records and all necessary approvals have been obtained. Any Tracts which are combined as provided above shall be assessed as one Tract for Assessment purposes. Developer shall not be liable for any fees associated with Tract consolidation.
- 2.20. <u>Limit on Activity</u>. No activity whether for profit or not, shall be conducted on a Tract which is not related to the occupation of a Tract for single family residential purposes, unless said activity meets the following criteria: (a) no exterior sign of the activity is present, (b) no additional traffic is created as a result of the activity, and (c) no toxic substances (as determined at the sole discretion of the Association) are stored on the Property. Nothing herein shall prohibit the use of home offices in compliance with the preceding subsections (a), (b) and (c). This restriction is waived in regard to the customary sales activities required to sell homes in the Subdivision.
- 2.21. <u>Prohibition on Short Term Rentals and/or Partial Rentals</u>. There shall be no leasing or short term rentals of the main residence and/or any guest quarter permitted. All rentals and leases must be under a written lease agreement that has a duration of at least thirty (30) days and such agreement must cover the entirety of any Tract to be leased.

- 2.22. <u>Nuisance</u>. No activity which constitutes a nuisance or annoyance shall occur on a Tract. The Association shall have the sole and absolute discretion to determine what constitutes a nuisance or annoyance.
- 2.23. <u>18-Wheelers</u>. No Owner shall be allowed to drive an 18-wheeler into the Subdivision on a regular basis, 18 wheelers are only allowed during construction or for deliveries.
- 2.24. <u>Maintenance</u>. It is the responsibility of each Owner to prevent the development of any unclean, unsightly, or unkempt condition of buildings or grounds on their Tract which would tend to substantially decrease the beauty of the Subdivision as a whole or the specific area. Each Owner is required to landscape the area around an Improvement that faces a Road. Occupancy prior to completion of landscaping shall require the written approval of the ACC, shall be for good cause only, and shall be no earlier than one hundred twenty days prior to completion of landscaping.
- 2.25. <u>Height Restrictions</u>. No Improvement shall be erected, altered or placed on any Tract which exceeds the lesser of forth feet (40') in height (measured from the ground to the topmost part of the roof) or 2½ stories in height.
- 2.26. Swimming Pools. Above ground pools are prohibited. All swimming pools must be in-ground and shall be fenced with fencing approved by the ACC. The ACC may not deny a swimming pool enclosure that is black in color and consists of transparent mesh set in metal frames.
- 2.27. <u>Water Wells and Irrigation Systems</u>. There will be a water provided to the Subdivision by Zephyr Water Supply Corp. Individual water wells may be drilled for residential, agricultural or irrigation purposes. All water well locations must be approved by the Architectural Control Committee or Developer (prior to the Control Transfer Date). Installation of a water well is the Tract Owner's responsibility and any permits, if required, must be obtained by the Tract Owner. All water wells must meet state and local requirements for the size and placement.

# ARTICLE III RESERVATIONS, EXCEPTIONS AND DEDICATIONS

- 3.01. <u>Property Subject to Restrictions</u>. The entire Subdivision, including each individual Tract, is bound by the restrictions set forth in this Declaration, which will remain in effect for all parties who currently possess or acquire any rights, titles, or interests in the land, or any portion thereof. The restrictions set forth in this Declaration will also benefit every Owner in the Subdivision.
- 3.02. <u>Setbacks; Utility & Drainage Easements</u>. The Subdivision and each Tract shall be subject to the easements reserved herein and in favor of the Association, the Owners, and any utility company. The utility easements set forth herein, if they are greater than what is set forth on the Plat, control over the utility easements on the Plat. For all

Tracts a utility and drainage easement and a building setback line measuring fifty feet (50') in width is reserved along the front and rear lot lines of the Tract, and a utility and drainage easement and a building setback line measuring thirty feet (30') in width and centered on the common boundary line that any Tract in the Subdivision shares with another Tract is reserved. Except for fencing, light posts, driveways, walkways and landscaping, no Improvements shall be located within the building setback line. The utility and drainage easements shall be used for the construction, maintenance and repair of utilities, including but not limited to, electrical systems, telephone, cable, water, gas and any other utilities which the Developer or utility providers may install for the benefit of the Owners. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Developer has no obligation to provide utilities and all such utilities shall be provided by the local utility companies in accordance with the policies of such utility companies. All utility easements in the Subdivision may also be used for the construction of drainage facilities in order to provide for improved surface drainage of the Tracts. The Developer reserves the right to grant specific utility easements without the joinder of any Owner to public utility providers within the boundaries of any of the easements herein reserved or as needed. Any utility company serving the Subdivision shall have the right to enter upon any utility easement for the purpose of installing, repairing, and maintaining their respective facilities. Neither Developer nor any utility company, political Subdivision or other authorized entity using the easements herein reserved shall be liable for any damages done by them or their assigns, agents or employees to fences, shrubbery, trees and lawns or any other property of the Owners located within the setback lines, or the utility or drainage easements. The Architectural Control Committee or Developer (prior to the Control Transfer Date) may waive or alter any setback line, if in the Architectural Control Committee's or Developer's (prior to the Control Transfer Date) sole discretion, such waiver or alteration is necessary to permit effective utilization of a Tract due solely to drainage or land contour related concerns.

- 3.03. Construction of Improvements on Utility Easements. No buildings or walls shall be located over, under, upon or across any portion of any utility easement. The Owner of each Tract shall have the right to construct, keep and maintain concrete drives, landscaping, fences and similar improvements across any utility easement, and shall be entitled to cross such easements at all times for purposes of gaining access to and from such Tracts, provided, however, any concrete drive, landscaping, fencing or similar improvement placed upon any utility easement shall be constructed, maintained and used at the Owner's risk and each Tract Owner shall be responsible for repairing any damage caused by the utility providers to Improvements constructed within the easements located on his Tract.
- 3.04. <u>Mailboxes</u>. All mailboxes located within the subdivision will be erected at the designated location on an easement held by the Association. The construction of mailboxes will be coordinated with the United States Postal Service. The Association or the Developer (prior to the Control Transfer Date) shall have the right to make such other rules and regulations regarding the location and construction of mailboxes as may be reasonable and necessary.

# ARTICLE IV LEDGE STONE RANCH PROPERTY OWNERS' ASSOCIATION, INC.

- 4.01. Non-Profit Corporation. Ledge Stone Ranch Property Owners' Association, Inc., a non-profit corporation, has been organized and it shall be governed by the Certificate of Formation and Bylaws of said Association; and all duties, obligations, benefits, liens and rights hereunder in favor of the Association shall vest in said corporation.
- 4.02. <u>Bylaws</u>. The Association has adopted, whatever Bylaws it may choose to govern the organization and operation of the Association, provided that the same are not in conflict with the terms and provisions contained herein.
- 4.03. <u>Membership</u>. Every person or entity who is a record Owner of any Tract shall be a "Member" of the Association. The foregoing is not intended to include persons or entities that hold an interest merely as security for the performance of an obligation or those only having an interest in the mineral estate. Memberships shall be appurtenant to and may not be separated from the Tracts. Regardless of the number of persons who may own a Tract, there shall be but one membership for each Tract and one (1) vote for each Tract. Ownership of a Tract shall be the sole qualification for Membership.
- 4.04. <u>Voting Rights</u>. The Association shall have two classes of voting memberships. Developer shall be entitled to ten (10) votes for each Tract owned. Each Tract, other than those owned by the Developer, shall have only one vote regardless of the number of Owners of the Tract. In the event that more than one person owns a Tract and the group of Owners do not have a unified vote for purposes hereunder, then the Association shall not recognize the vote for that Tract and such vote shall not be counted when the calculating membership votes. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the presence of any Tract Owner at a meeting of Members permits the inclusion of the Tract represented when calculating any necessary quorum.

# ARTICLE V ASSESSMENTS

5.01. <u>Assessments</u>. Each Tract Owner by acceptance of a deed therefore, whether or not it shall be expressed in any such deed or other conveyance, is deemed to covenant and agree to pay to the Association the Assessments provided herein. The Assessments shall be a charge on the Tracts and shall be a continuing lien upon the Tract against which each such Assessment is made. Both Annual and Special Assessments must be fixed at a uniform rate for all Tracts subject to assessment and may be collected on a monthly basis or on an annual basis at the discretion of the Board of Directors.

#### 5.02. Annual Assessment.

(a) An Annual Assessment shall be paid by each of the Owners and the Annual Assessment shall be used to pay all reasonable and necessary operating expenses and reserve requirements of the Association as herein provided and the Common Area

Expenses. The Annual Assessment for the year of purchase shall be pro-rated as of the purchase date and then shall be paid annually.

- (b) The initial amount of the Annual Assessment applicable to each Tract within the Ledge Stone Ranch Subdivision shall be three hundred dollars (\$300.00) per Tract. The Annual Assessment is payable in advance and is due on the thirty first (31st) day of January during each calendar year. All other matters relating to the collection, expenditure and administration of the Annual Assessment shall be determined by the Board of Directors of the Association, subject to the provisions hereof.
- (c) The Board of Directors of the Association, from and after the Control Transfer Date, shall have the further right at any time to adjust, alter, increase or decrease the Annual Assessment from year to year as it deems proper to meet the reasonable operating expenses and reserve requirements of the Association and to enable the Association to carry out its duties hereunder. However, the Board of Directors shall not increase the Annual Assessment by more than ten percent (10%) from the previous year without a majority vote of those members that are present in person or by proxy, or by ballot at a meeting called for such a vote.
- 5.03. Special Assessments. In addition to the Annual Assessment, the Association, upon the Vote of the Members, may levy Special Assessments from time to time to cover unbudgeted expenses or expenses in excess of those budgeted.
- 5.04. <u>Interest of Assessment</u>. Any Assessment which is not paid within thirty (30) days after the due date shall bear interest from the due date at the lesser of (i) the rate of eighteen percent (18%) per annum or (ii) the maximum rate permitted by law.
- 5.05. Purpose of the Assessments. The Annual Assessments and Special Assessments shall be used exclusively for the purpose of promoting the health, safety, security and welfare of the Subdivision and the maintenance of the Common Area. In particular, the Assessments shall be used for any improvement or services in furtherance of these purposes and the performance of the Association's duties described herein. including the maintenance of any Subdivision Roads, Subdivision drainage easements, Common Area, Common Area Expenses, the enforcement of these Restrictions and the establishment and maintenance of reserve funds. Any questions regarding whether an item is a Common Area or a Common Area Expense shall be determined by the Board. The Assessments may be used by the Association for any purpose which, in the judgment of the Association's Board of Directors, is necessary or desirable to maintain the property value of the Subdivision, including but not limited to, providing funds to pay all taxes, insurance, repairs, utilities and any other expense incurred by the Association. Except for the Association's use of the Assessments to perform its duties as described in these Restrictions, the use of the Assessments for any of these purposes is permissive and not mandatory. It is understood that the judgment of the Board of Directors as to the expenditure of Assessments shall be final and conclusive so long as such judgment is exercised in good faith.

5.06. <u>Creation of Lien and Personal Obligation</u>. In order to secure the payment of the Assessments, each Tract Owner hereby grants the Association a contractual lien on such Tract which may be foreclosed by non-judicial foreclosure, pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 51 of the Texas Property Code (and any successor statute); and each such Tract Owner hereby expressly grants the Association a power of sale in connection therewith. The Association shall, whenever it proceeds with non-judicial foreclosure pursuant to the provisions of said section 51.002 of the Texas Property Code, designate in writing a Trustee to post or cause to be posted all required notices of such foreclosure sale and to conduct such foreclosure sale. The Trustee may be changed at any time and from time to time by the association by means of written instrument executed by the President or any Vice-President of the Association and filed for record in the Official Public Records of Real Property of Brown County, Texas. In the event the Association has determined to nonjudicially foreclose the lien provided herein pursuant to the provisions of said Chapter 51 of the Texas Property Code and to exercise the power of sale hereby granted, the Association, or the Association's agent, shall give notice of the foreclosure sale as provided by the Texas Property Code as then amended. Upon request by the Association, the Trustee shall give any further notice of foreclosure sale as may be required by the Texas Property Code as then amended and shall convey such Tract to the highest bidder for cash by Trustee's Deed. Out of the proceeds of such sale, if any, there shall first be paid all expenses incurred by the Association in connection with collecting the Assessments and foreclosing on the Tract, including reasonable attorney's fees and a reasonable trustee's fee; second, from such proceeds there shall be paid to the Association and amount equal to the amount of the Assessment in default; and third, the remaining balance shall be paid to the Tract Owner or Lien Holder for the benefit of the Tract Owner. Following any such foreclosure, each occupant of a Tract which is foreclosed upon shall be deemed a tenant at sufferance and may be removed from possession by any and all lawful means, including a judgment for possession in an action for forcible detainer.

In the event of non-payment by any Tract Owner of any Assessment or other charge, fee, assessment levied hereunder, the Association may, in addition to foreclosing the lien hereby retained, and exercising the remedies provided herein, exercise all other rights and remedies available at law or in equity, including but not limited to bringing an action at law against the Tract Owner personally obligated to pay the same.

It is the intent of the Provisions of this Article to comply with the provisions of said Section 51.002 of the Texas Property Code relating to non-judicial sales by power of sale. In the event of the amendment of Section 51.002 of the Texas Property Code, the Association, acting without joinder of any Tract Owner or Mortgagee, may, by amendment to these Restrictions, file any required amendments to these Restrictions so as to comply with said amendments to Section 51.002 of the Texas Property Code or any other statute applicable to foreclosures.

Notwithstanding anything contained this Article, all notices and procedures relating to foreclosures shall comply with Chapter 209 of the Texas Property Code.

- 5.07. Notice of Lien. In addition to the right of the Association to enforce the Assessment, the Association may file a claim of lien against the Tract of the delinquent Tract Owner by recording a Notice ("Notice of Lien" or "Affidavit of Lien") setting forth (a) the amount of the claim of delinquency, (b) the interest thereon, (c) the costs of collection which have been accrued thereon, (d) the legal description and street address of the Tract against which the lien is claimed, and (e) the name of the Tract Owner thereof. Such Notice of Lien shall be signed and acknowledged by an officer of the Association or other duly authorized agent of the Association. The lien shall continue until the amounts are fully paid or otherwise satisfied. When all amounts claimed under the Notice of Lien and all other costs and assessments which may have accrued subsequent to the filing of the Notice of Lien and all other costs and assessments which may have accrued subsequent to the filing of the Notice of Lien have been paid or satisfied, the Association shall execute and record a notice releasing the lien upon payment by the Tract Owner of a reasonable fee as fixed by the Association to cover the preparation and recordation of such release of lien instrument.
- 5.08. <u>Developer Exemption</u>. In consideration of the Property infrastructure, the Developer shall be exempt from the payment of all Assessments.
- 5.09. Liens Subordinate to Mortgages. The lien described in this Article V shall be deemed subordinate to any lien in favor of any bank, mortgage company, real estate lending establishment, financial institution, insurance company, savings and Ioan association, or any other third party lender, including the Developer, who may have advanced funds, in good faith, to any Tract Owner for the purchase, improvement, equity lending, renewal, extension, rearrangement or refinancing of any lien secured by a Tract, provided that any such lien holder has made due inquiry as to the payment of any required assessments at the time the lien is recorded. Any consensual lien holder who obtains title to any Tract pursuant to the remedies provided in a deed of trust or mortgage or by judicial foreclosure shall take title of the Tract free and clear of any claims for unpaid assessments or other charges against said Tract which ad prior to the time such holder acquired title to such Tract. No such sale or transfer shall relieve such holder from liability for any Assessments or other charges or assessments thereafter becoming due. Any other sale or transfer of a Tract shall not affect the Association's lien for Assessments or other charges or assessments. The Association shall make a good faith effort to give each such mortgage sixty (60) days advance written notice of the Association's foreclosure of an Assessment lien, which notice shall be sent to the nearest office of such mortgage by prepaid United State registered or certified mail, return receipt requested, and shall contain a statement of delinquent Assessment or other charges or assessments upon which the said action is based, provided however, the Association's failure to give such notice shall not impair or invalidate any foreclosure conducted by the Association pursuant to the provisions of this Article V.

### ARTICLE VI DEVELOPER'S RIGHTS AND RESERVATIONS

- 6.01. Period of Developer's Rights and Reservations. Developer shall have, retain and reserve certain rights as set forth in these Restrictions with respect to the Association from the date hereof, until the earlier of the date the Developer gives written notice to the Association of Developer's termination of the rights described in this Article VI or the Control Transfer Date. The Developer rights, those being the same as Declarant Rights, set forth in these Restrictions shall not be released until such time as a document relinquishing said rights is filed of record or the Developer no longer holds record title to any Common Area or a Lot in the Subdivision. The rights and reservations hereinafter set forth shall be deemed accepted and reserved in each conveyance by the Developer whether or not specifically stated therein. The rights, reservations and easements set forth herein shall be prior and superior to any other provisions of this Declaration and may not, without Developer's prior written consent, be modified, amended, rescinded or affected by any amendment to this Declaration. Developer's consent to any amendment shall not be construed as consent to any other amendment.
- 6.02. Developer's Rights to Grant and Create Easements. Developer shall have and hereby reserves the right, without the consent of any Owner or the Association, to grant or create temporary or permanent easements throughout the Subdivision, for ingress, egress, utilities, cable and satellite television systems, communication and security systems, drainage, water and other purposes incidental to the development, sale, operation and maintenance of the Subdivision or purposes deemed necessary by the Developer.
- 6.03. <u>Developer's Rights to Convey Common Area to the Association</u>. Developer shall have and hereby reserves the right, but shall not be obligated to, convey real property and improvements thereon, if any, to the Association for use as Common Area at any time and from time to time in accordance with these Restrictions, without the consent of any Owner or the Association.
- 6.04. Annexation of Additional Areas. Developer may cause additional real property to be annexed into Subdivision, by causing a written Annexation Declaration confirming the annexation thereof, to be recorded in the Official Public Records of Real Property in Brown County, Texas. No consent shall be required of the Association or any Member thereof, each Tract Owner being deemed to have appointed the Developer as his agent and attorney-in fact to affect this Annexation, which power hereby granted to the Developer is and shall be a power coupled with any interest. Thereafter, the Association shall be the Association for the entirety of the Development, including the annexed property.

# ARTICLE VII <u>DUTIES AND POWERS OF THE LEDGE STONE RANCH</u> <u>PROPERTY OWNERS' ASSOCIATION</u>

7.01. General Duties and Powers of the Association. The Association has been formed to further the common interest of the Members. The Association, acting through the Board of Directors or through persons to whom the Board of Directors has designated such powers (and subject to the provisions of the bylaws), shall have the duties and powers

hereinafter set forth and, in general, the power to do anything that may be necessary or desirable to further the common interest of the Members and to improve and enhance the attractiveness, desirability and safety of the Subdivision. The Board of Directors shall minimally be composed of three individuals serving three-year staggered terms, with the titles of President, Vice-President, and Secretary/Treasurer, being assigned annually by the board of Directors.

- 7.02. Duty to Accept the Property and Facilities Transferred by Developer. The Association shall accept title to any real property, improvements to real property, personal property and any related equipment which the Developer transfers to the Association. together with the responsibility to perform any and all maintenance and administrative functions associated therewith, provided that such property and responsibilities are not inconsistent with the terms of these Restrictions. Property interest transferred to the Association by the Developer may include fee simple title, easements, leasehold interests and licenses to use such property. Any property or interest in property transferred to the Association by the Developer shall, except to the extent otherwise specifically approved by resolution of the Board of Directors, be transferred to the Association free and clear of all liens and mortgages (other than the lien for property taxes and assessments not then due and payable) but shall be subject to the terms of any declaration of covenants, conditions and restriction or easements set forth in the transfer instrument. Except as otherwise specifically approved by resolution of the board of Directors, no property or instrument transferred to the Association by the Developer shall impose upon the Association any obligation to make monetary payments to the Developer or any affiliate of the Developer including, but not limited to, any purchase price, rent charge or fee.
- 7.03. Other Insurance Bonds. The Association shall obtain such insurance as may be deemed necessary or desirable by the Board or by law, including but not limited to, comprehensive liability and casualty insurance, worker's compensation insurance, fidelity and indemnity insurance, officers and director's liability insurance, as well as such other insurances or bonds as the Association shall deem necessary or desirable.
- 7.04. <u>Duty to Prepare Annual Budgets</u>. The Association shall prepare an annual budget for the Association.
- 7.05. <u>Duty to Levy and Collect Assessments</u>. The Association shall levy, collect and enforce the Assessments as provided in these Restrictions.
- 7.06. <u>Duty to Provide Annual Financial Statement</u>. The Association shall prepare an annual financial statement, including a balance sheet, for review by the Members.
- 7.07. <u>Duties with Respect to Architectural Approvals</u>. The Association, through the ACC, shall perform the ACC duties described in these Restrictions after the Control Transfer Date. Prior to the Control Transfer Date, the Developer shall perform the ACC duties.
  - 7.08. Power to Acquire Property and Construct Improvements. The Association

may acquire property or an interest in property (including leases and easements) for the common benefit of Owners including any improvements and personal property. The Association may construct improvements and may demolish any existing improvements in the Common Area.

- 7.09. Power to Adopt Rules and Regulation. The Association shall have the power to make reasonable rules and regulations regarding the use of the Common Area. The Association shall also have the right to promulgate such rules and regulations with respect to the Subdivision so long as the Board of the Association deems such rules and regulations necessary to promote the recreation, health, safety and welfare of the Members of the Association, or may be necessary or desirable to further the common interest of the Members and to improve and enhance the attractiveness, desirability and safety of the Subdivision all in accordance with the provisions of these Restrictions. The rules and regulations may be enforced in the same manner as any other provision of these Restrictions.
- 7.10. Enforcement of Restrictions. The Association (or any Owner if the Association fails to do so after reasonable written notice) shall enforce, by any proceeding at law or in equity, all restrictions, conditions, covenants, reservations, liens and charges now or hereafter imposed by the provisions of these Restrictions. Failure by the Association or any Owner to enforce any covenants or restrictions herein contained shall in no event be deemed a waiver of the right to do so thereafter. If it becomes necessary for any Owner or the Association to file a Court action to enforce these Restrictions, the defaulting Owner shall be liable for all reasonable attorney's fees and costs incurred by the enforcing Owner or the Association to obtain compliance by the defaulting Owner. The defaulting Owner shall be liable for all damages suffered by the enforcing Owner or the Association which shall be in an amount established by the Court.
- 7.11. <u>Remedies</u>. In the event a Tract Owner fails to remedy any violation of these Restrictions within ten (10) days after written notice, or the number of days given in the written notice to allow for a remedy, the Association, or its authorized representatives, may take any one or more of the following actions:
  - (a) Enter upon the Tract Owner's property and remove the violating condition, document the violating condition and/or cure the violation, at the expense of the Tract Owner, and the violating Tract Owner shall pay on demand all costs and expenses, including reasonable attorney's fees, incurred by the Association in removing such violating condition;
  - (b) Assess a charge of \$50.00 per day against any Tract Owner and/or his Tract until the violating condition is corrected. The Violation charge may be increased by the Association in accordance with increases in the National Consumer Price Index using 2024 as a base year. Failure to pay such assessment by the violating Tract Owner within ten (10) days from receipt of assessment will result in a lien against the Tract with the same force and effect as the lien for Annual or Special Assessments;

- (c) Impose charges for late payment of assessments;
- (d) After notice and an opportunity to be heard as provided in The Texas Property Code, levying reasonable fines for violations of this Declaration, and the Bylaws and any rules and regulations of the Association;
- (e) File suit in order to enforce the above remedies and/or pursue any other remedy which may be available at law or in equity;
- (f) Suspend an Owner's right to use the Common Area; and/or
- (g) Take any action allowed by the Texas Property Code.

After a Tract Owner receives a written notice of a violation of these Restrictions, the violating Tract Owner shall not be entitled to any further notice of the same violation if it occurs within a six (6) month period. The Association reserves the easement across each Owner's Tract for the purpose of correcting or removing conditions in violation of these Restrictions, and in doing so, shall have no liability for trespass or other tort in connection therewith, or arising from such correction or removal of a violating condition. The Association shall further have the right to have any vehicle or other property stored or used in violation of these Restrictions removed from the Owner's Tract at the expense of the Owner and stored at the expense of the Owner.

## ARTICLE VIII ARCHITECTURAL CONTROL COMMITTEE

#### 8.01. Basic Control & Applications.

- (a) No Improvements of any character shall be erected or placed, or the erection or placing thereof commenced, or changes made to the exterior design or appearance of any Improvement, without first obtaining the Architectural Control Committee's or Developer's (prior to the Control Transfer Date) written approval. No demolition or destruction of any Improvement by voluntary action shall be made without first obtaining the Architectural Control Committee's or Developer's (prior to the Control Transfer Date) written approval.
- (b) Each application made to the Architectural Control Committee or Developer (prior to the Control Transfer Date) for approval, shall contain an application in the form specified by the Architectural Control Committee or Developer (prior to the Control Transfer Date), two sets of professionally drawn Plans and Specifications for all proposed Improvements, showing the location of all Improvements on the Tract, and any applicable fees or deposits together with such other reasonable necessary information as the Architectural Control Committee or Developer (prior to the Control Transfer Date) shall request. These plans must be submitted in PDF format

to the Developer, or after the Control Transfer Date, to the ACC. A non-refundable fee of \$250.00 is required at time of plan submittal to cover administrative costs involving the home plan approval process.

#### 8.02. Architectural Control Committee.

- (a) All ACC authority is initially vested in the Developer. The ACC authority of the Developer shall cease upon the Control Transfer Date. The Developer shall continue to have ACC authority as to any Plans and Specifications or Construction projects submitted to the Developer prior to the initial appointment of the ACC members.
- (b) After the Control Transfer Date, the Developer shall cause an instrument transferring ACC authority to the Association to be recorded in the Official Public Records of Real Property in Brown County, Texas. Subsequent appointments of the ACC members shall be by the Board of Directors. After the Control Transfer Date, each Member of the ACC must be a Tract Owner in the Subdivision.
- (c) After the Control Transfer Date, the Board shall provide notice to all Owners in the Subdivision of the Association's solicitation of persons interested in serving on the ACC. The notice must be provided at least 10 days before the Association appoints a person to serve on the ACC and it must contain instructions for a person to notify the Association of that person's interest in serving, including the date by which the person's notification must be received by the Association.
- 8.03. Effect of Inaction. All approvals or disapprovals issued by the ACC shall be in writing. In the event the ACC fails to approve or disapprove any request received by it in compliance with Article VIII within thirty (30) days following the submission of a completed application and full compliance with the Declarations set out herein, such request shall be deemed approved and the construction of any Improvements may commence in accordance with the Plans and Specifications submitted for approval. Any ACC approval obtained as a result of inaction by the ACC shall not authorize the construction of any Improvement in violation of these Restrictions.
- 8.04. Effect of Approval. The granting of an ACC approval (whether in writing or by lapse of time) shall constitute only an expression of opinion by the ACC that the proposed Improvement to be erected complies with these Restrictions; and such approval shall not prevent the Association from requiring removal of any Improvement which fails to comply with these Restrictions. Further, no ACC member shall incur any liability by reason of the good faith exercise of the authority granted hereunder.
- 8.05. <u>Variance</u>. The Developer, may on a case by case basis, authorize variances from the requirements of these Restrictions at its sole discretion. The ACC may grant a variance from the requirements of these Restrictions on the reasonable opinion of the ACC,

if the Restrictions unreasonably restrain the development of a Lot in accordance with the general scheme of the Subdivision. The Developer will retain the right to grant variances after the Control Transfer Date so long as the Developer continues to own a Lot or Common Area in the Subdivision. All variances shall be in writing and signed by the Developer or if granted by the ACC then it must be signed by at least two (2) members of the ACC. No violation of these Restrictions shall be deemed to have occurred with respect to any matter for which a variance is granted. The granting of such a variance shall not operate to waive any of the terms and provisions of these Restrictions for any purpose except as to the particular Lot and improvements and the particular provision covered by the variance, nor shall it affect in any way the Owner's obligation to comply with all governmental laws and regulations affecting the use of the Owner's Tract.

8.06. Construction Deposit. A deposit of \$500.00 must be paid at the time Plans and Specifications are submitted for the construction of a new residence, barn, workshop or storage building. This deposit will be held for the purpose of securing a Tract Owner's performance, during the construction process, of the obligations imposed by these Restrictions, for wear and tear on the Subdivision Roads by construction equipment and construction traffic, and for damage to the Common Area. Tract Owners shall be responsible for any damage caused to the Roads or Common Area by construction equipment or trucks making deliveries to their Tract. Upon completion of construction, the Tract Owner will be refunded the deposit less any obligations incurred as a result of any uncured violation of these Restrictions, any damage to the Roads of the Subdivision and any damage to the Common Area.

# ARTICLE IX GENERAL PROVISIONS

- 9.01. <u>Term.</u> The provisions hereof shall run with the land and shall be binding upon all Owners, their guests and invitees and all other persons claiming under them for a period of forty (40) years from the date these Restrictions are recorded. These Restrictions shall be automatically extended for successive periods of twenty (20) years each time unless these Restrictions are cancelled by a two-thirds (2/3) affirmative vote of every Member and an appropriate document is recorded evidencing the cancellation of these Restrictions.
- 9.02. Amendments. Unless an amendment affects existing improvements, these Restrictions may be amended or changed in whole or in part by a two-thirds (2/3) affirmative vote of every Member. The Association must keep copies of all records related to such amendments permanently.
- 9.03. Amendment by the Developer. The Developer shall have and reserve the right at any time prior to the Control Transfer Date, without the joinder or consent of any Owner or other party, to amend these Restrictions by an instrument in writing duly signed, acknowledged, and filed for record so long as the Developer owns any land in the Subdivision and provided that any such amendment shall be consistent with and is

furtherance of the general plan and scheme of development of the Subdivision and evidenced by these Restrictions or if needed to comply with state law.

- 9.04. <u>Severability</u>. Each of these provisions of these Restrictions shall be deemed independent and severable and the invalidity or unenforceability or partial invalidity or partially unenforceability of any provision or portion hereof shall not affect the validity or enforceability of any other provision.
- 9.05. Effect of Violation on Mortgages. No violation of the provisions herein contained or any portion thereof, shall affect the lien of any mortgage or deed of trust presently or hereafter placed of record or otherwise affect the rights of the mortgage under any such mortgage, the holder of any such lien or beneficiary of any such mortgage, lien or deed of trust may, nevertheless, be enforced in accordance with its terms, subject, nevertheless, to the provisions herein contained.
- 9.06. <u>Liberal Interpretation</u>. The provisions of these Restrictions shall be liberally construed as a whole to effectuate the purpose of these Restrictions.
- 9.07. Successors and Assigns. The provisions hereof shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the Owners, the Developer and the Association, and their respective guests, invitees, heirs, legal representatives, executors, administrators, successors and assigns.
- 9.08. <u>Terminology</u>. All personal pronouns used in these Restrictions, whether used in the masculine, feminine or neutral gender, shall include all other genders, the singular shall include the plural and vice versa. Title of Articles and Sections are for convenience only and neither limits nor amplifies the provisions of these Restrictions. The terms "herein", "hereof" and similar terms, as used in this instrument, refer to the entire document and are not limited to referring only to the specific paragraph, Section or Article which such terms appear.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned, being the Developer, herein, has hereunto set its hand on this 25 day of 2024.

[signature follows on next page]

Brown County TX Developers, LLC, a Delaware Limited Liability Company

By: American Land Partners, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company, Manager

By: Price Keever, Authorized Agent

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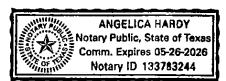
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### CERTIFICATE OF ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Before me, the undersigned Notary Public, on this day personally appeared Price Keever who is personally known to me (or proved to me through a federal or state issued ID with photo and signature of person identified) to be the person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instrument, and who has acknowledged to me that he executed the instrument for the purposes and consideration therein expressed and in the capacity stated herein.

Given under my hand and seal of office on the 25 day of 2024.



NOTARY PUBLIC, State of Texas

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# FIRST AMENDMENT TO THE DECLARATION OF COVENANTS, CONDITIONS RESTRICTIONS, EASEMENTS, CHARGES AND LIENS FOR LEDGE STONE RANCH SUBDIVISION

STATE OF TEXAS §
COUNTY OF BROWN §

This First Amendment To The Declaration Of Covenants, Conditions, Restrictions, Easements, Charges and Liens For Ledge Stone Ranch Subdivision (the "First Amendment") is made by Brown County TX Developers, LLC, the "Developer".

WHEREAS, the Declaration Of Covenants, Conditions, Restrictions, Easements, Charges and Liens For Ledge Stone Ranch Subdivision was filed of record on April 2, 2024 as Instrument No. 2401586 (the "Declarations"); and

WHEREAS, reference is hereby made to the Declarations for all purposes, and any and all capitalized terms used herein shall have the meanings set forth in the Declarations, unless otherwise specified in this First Amendment; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Article XI, Section 6.01 of the Declarations, the Developer holds the Developer rights until such time as a document relinquishing said rights is filed of record or the Developer no longer holds record title to any Tract or Common Area in the Subdivision, whichever occurs last; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Article IX, Section 9.03 of the Declarations, the Developer has the right at any time prior to the Control Transfer Date, without the joinder or consent of any Owner or other party, to amend the Declarations by an instrument in writing duly signed, acknowledged, and filed for record so long as the Developer owns at least one Tract of land and provided that any such amendment shall be consistent with and is furtherance of the general plan and scheme of development of the Subdivision and evidenced by these Restrictions; and

WHEREAS, the Control Transfer Date has not occurred and the Developer still owns all of the Tracts of land in the Subdivision, as no lots have been sold;

NOW THEREFORE, pursuant to the authority contained in the Declarations, the undersigned, hereby amends the Declarations as follows:

#### Section 2.06 is hereby amended, modified and replaced with the following:

2.06. <u>Temporary Structures & Use of RVs</u>. No structure of a temporary character, whether trailer, motor home, recreational vehicle, tent, basement, shack, garage, barn or other outbuilding shall be maintained or used on any Tract at any time as a residence, either temporarily or permanently, except as provided below. No Tract shall be used as a camping ground, and no tent camping is allowed.

Prior to the construction of a residence on a Tract, an Owner may use a recreational vehicle camper or motor home ("Recreation Vehicle" or "RV") for camping purposes no more than seven (7) days out of any thirty (30) day period and no more than twenty-five (25) days per year. TEMPORARY RV CAMPING OR USING ANY TYPE OF RECREATIONAL VEHICLE, WILL NO LONGER BE PERMITTED, ONCE TWENTY-FIVE (25) OR MORE RESIDENCES HAVE BEEN BUILT ON THE LOTS IN THE SUBDIVISION. With written approval from the ACC, an RV may be used as a temporary residence during construction, not to exceed twelve (12) months, provided an approved septic system has been installed for the RV and the RV is placed at the rear of the construction site.

Temporary structures, including a business office, portable restroom facilities, or construction storage facilities may be located on a Tract while the main residence for a Tract is actively under construction, provided that such are removed upon substantial completion of construction and are not located on a Tract for longer than the time allowed for construction of a main residence pursuant to Section 2.03 above.

#### Section 2.12 is hereby amended, modified and replaced with the following:

2.12. Fencing and Light Posts. Fences and light posts, if any, must be approved prior to Construction and must be constructed of new material unless otherwise permitted by the Architectural Control Committee or Developer (prior to the Control Transfer Date). Fences may be ranch style fencing. Fence heights shall not exceed eight feet (8'). Chain link fencing is prohibited, except if used as a dog run and only if such fencing is not visible from any road. It is the Owner's responsibility to confirm that the type of fencing used will not disqualify the Tract from any wildlife agricultural ad valorem tax exemption.

### The following Section 2.28 is hereby added to the Declarations:

2.28. Wildlife Association. Developer has formed or will form a Wildlife Management Association that as determined by Texas Property Code Section 23.51 will allow for an Ag 1-D-1 Open Space Wildlife ad valorem tax valuation on each participating Tract Owner's property. The Wildlife Management Association is voluntary. For all the terms and conditions of the Wildlife Management Association see the member's agreement for requirements. If Owner elects not to join the Wildlife Management Association, then Owner will potentially lose any current ad valorem tax exemption status for its Tract. DEVELOPER MAKES NO REPRESENTATIONS OR WARRANTIES REGARDING THE CONTINUATION OF THE CURRENT AD VALOREM TAX VALUATION, OR FUTURE AD VALOREM TAX EXEMPTIONS ON THE PROPERTY OR ANY TRACT, AS THIS IS CONTROLLED BY THE BROWN COUNTY

#### APPRAISAL DISTRICT AND STATE LAW.

If for any reason Brown County Appraisal District decides not to allow a wildlife tax exemption for ad valorem tax valuation purposes to the Tracts in the Subdivision but will accept a master grazing lease by the Association for a continued agricultural exemption, then upon a majority of the members voting at a meeting of the Association to allow a master grazing lease between the Association and a cattle rancher, the Association may enter into such a grazing lease. If Brown County Appraisal District accepts a grazing lease to the Association for a continued agricultural exemption and Owner decides to not enter into a grazing lease with the Association, then Owner is responsible for fencing his Tract so that cattle will not enter upon said Owner's Tract. The Association and the cattle rancher shall not be liable for any cattle that would improperly enter onto an Owner's Tract or for any damages caused by said cattle if Owner has not erected a fence.

Should the Brown County Appraisal District reject a grazing lease with the Association, then the Tract Owner will be responsible for timely contacting the Brown County Appraisal District to see if there are any options available in order to not lose the tax exemption status for the Tract. Owner is always responsible for the timely filing of any application for an ad valorem tax exemption.

DEVELOPER MAKES NO WARRANTY, REPRESENTATION OR GUARANTEE REGARDING ANY CONTINUING AD VALOREM TAX EXEMPTION.

If any provision of this First Amendment is found to be in conflict with the Declarations, this First Amendment shall control.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this First Amendment To The Declaration Of Covenants, Conditions, Restrictions, Easements, Charges and Liens For Ledge Stone Ranch Subdivision shall be effective upon recording in the Official Records of Brown County, Texas.

SIGNED this the 18th day of April 2024.

[signature follows on next page]

Brown County TX Developers, LLC, a Delaware Limited Liability Company

By: American Land Partners, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company, Manager

STATE OF TEXAS

COUNTY OF BURNET

#### CERTIFICATE OF ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Before me, the undersigned Notary Public, on this day personally appeared Price Keever who is personally known to me (or proved to me through a federal or state issued ID with photo and signature of person identified) to be the person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instrument, and who has acknowledged to me that he executed the instrument for the purposes and consideration therein expressed and in the capacity stated herein.

Given under my hand and seal of office on the 23 day of

Notary Public, State of Texas

MICHELLE ANN FERGUSON Notary Public, State of Texas Comm. Expires 01-14-2025

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