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# Sturbridge Cottages Plat No. 1

Lying in the Southwest Corner of Section 28, T-16-N, R-19-E Montgomery County, Alabama

## Goodwyn, Mills & Cawood, INC. Engineers — Architects — Planners — Surveyors

125 Interstate Park Drive Montgomery, Alabama

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#### NOTES:

All utility and private access easements shown hereon, if any, are for the use of any utility which may require them. These easements include the rights of ingress and egress for maintenance of the property, facilities and apparatus included therein. All private drainage easements shown hereon, if any, are for surface drainage as needed. Installation and maintenance of property in these easements are not the responsibility of the City or County of Montgomery, Alabama.

All easements or rights of way, except utility, private drainage, and private access easements, shown on the plat, if any, are hereby dedicated to the City and/or County of Montgomery,

Alabama for public use. These dedicated easements include the rights of ingress and egress by City and County employees for maintenance of the property included in the easements. No permanent structure may be placed on any dedicated easement shown.

Easements for sanitary sewer and water mains shown hereon, if any or if not previously dedicated, are hereby dedicated to The Water Works and Sanitary Sewer Board of the City of Montgomery, Alabama, its successors and assigns for ingress and egress in the installation and maintenance of sanitary sewer and water lines and their appurtenances.

Streets shown hereon, if not previously dedicated, are hereby tendered for dedication to public use.

#### **DEDICATION OF COMMON AREAS**

Southern Boulevard Corporation (Declarant), in recording this plat of Sturbridge Cottages, has designated Parcels A, B, C, and D as common areas intended for the use of the homeowners within this plat. The designated areas are not dedicated hereby for use by the general public but are dedicated solely to the common use and enjoyment of the homeowners in this plat, as more provided in the "Articles of Incorporation of Sturbridge Homeowner's Association, Inc." and the "By-Laws of Sturbridge Homeowner's Association, Inc.". These common areas are not the responsibility of the City and/or County of Montgomery, Alabama.

Please see attached sheet for Declaration of Protective Covenants Conditions and Restrictions for Sturbridge Cottages.

## DEDICATION OF COMMON AREAS, BEAUTIFICATION and PRIVATE WALL EASEMENTS

Declarant, in recording this plat of Sturbridge Cottages, has reserved Parcel E, Beautification and Private Wall Easements as shown hereon and dedicates and grants such easements to the Sturbridge Homeowners Association, with right of access thereto, for the purpose of Installing and maintaining said wall, flowers, shrubs and other landscaping. These easements are the responsibility of the Sturbridge Homeowners Association, Inc., and are not the responsibility of the City and/or County of Montgomery, Alabama.

### SPILLAGE AND HOLD HARMLESS AGREEMENT

Southern Boulevard Corporation hereby agrees to hold harmless the City of Montgomery, Alabama, a municipal corporation, its successors and assigns, from any damages or injuries to physical property or life, human or animal, occurring as a result of public surface water discharging, spliling, dumping, or draining onto and across the lands of the owners located in the County of Montgomery, State of Alabama, to-wit:

### Parcel "E" as Shown Hereon

The undersigned further agrees to protect the said City of Montgomery, Alabama, a municipal corporation, its successors and assigns, against any claim or damages, compensation or otherwise, on the part of anyone, growing out of or resulting from injury to a person, occurring as a result of public surface water discharging, spllling, dumping or draining onto and across the lands of the owners of the aforementioned property, and to reimburse or make good any loss, damage or costs that the said City of Montgomery, Alabama, a municipal corporation, may have to pay if any litigation arises from said injuries.

The undersigned do hereby agree and understand that the agreement herein is and shall constitute a covenant running with the land and shall be binding upon it, its successors and assigns.

### Declaration of Protective Covenants Conditions and Restrictions for Sturbridge Cottages

By adoption of this plat, Southern Boulevard Corporation, a corporation, owner of all of the lots and land embraced herein, hereby grants to Alabama Power Company, Dixie Electric Cooperative, Inc., South Central Bell Telephone Company and Alabama Gas Corporation, their successors and assigns, or other appropriate public or quasi public utilities, the easements along land over all of the lots and property reflected hereon together with the right to construct, install, operate and maintain, along said easements, all conduits, cables, transclosures and other appliances and said facilities useful or necessary in connection therewith, for the underground transmission and distribution of electrical power, underground communication services, and natural gas service, upon, under and across said easements. Also granted hereby is the right to install and maintain underground service laterals from said easements to serve the building or buildings on each lot herein.

Declarant is the owner of all lots and land embraced herein (hereinafter sometimes referred to as this "Subdivision" or this "Neighborhood") adjoining and contiguous to the Sturbridge Plantation, a mixed use development, consisting of residential, commercial, office and other uses as has been approved by the applicable governmental authorities. Declarant shall hereinafter develop the Cottages Subdivision as part of the Sturbridge Plantation, with the owners of all the lots and land embraced herein thereby becoming members of and subject to the Sturbridge. Homeowners Association, Inc., a non-profit corporation (hereinafter sometimes referred to as the \*Association.\*) The Association is governed by its Board of Directors (hereinafter sometimes referred to as the "Board") pursuant to its Articles of Incorporation heretofore recorded in the Office of the Judge of Probate, Montgomery County, Alabama and its By-Laws adopted by the Board. The Association, among other things, has the power, duty and right (1) to govern, control and regulate the use, improvement and repair of any common areas, entrance ways, amenities or other properties it owns or controls in Sturbridge Plantation, including this Subdivision, for the use, enjoyment of all the members of the Association in accordance with the By-Laws, Rules and Regulations of the Association and these protective covenants, and (2) to assess each lot and pollect such dues, fees, and assessments as it deems necessary and appropriate to perform such duties for each and every Neighborhood and/or Subdivision in Sturbridge Plantation. In addition, the Declarant, is owner of certain other real property in Montgomery County, Alabama (hereinafter sometimes referred to as the "Annexable Area") which may, at the sole discretion of Declarant, from time to time, become a part of Sturbridge Plantation and subject to these protective covenants by Declarant and whose owners may become members of the Association.

Furthermore, the Board, in accordance with its By-Laws has previously formed an Architectural Review Board (hereinafter sometimes referred to as the "ARB") for the Sturbridge Plantation which shall supervise, monitor, and when the ARB deems appropriate, insure compliance with these protective covenants.

The Association, may from time to time, divide the Sturbridge Plantation, including this Subdivision and any future subdivisions within the Annexable Area Into delegate districts for each Neighborhood as hereinafter defined by the subassociations but only upon proper approval by the Association.

By the adoption of this plat, Southern Boulevard Corporation, owner of all of the lots and land embraced herein, hereby adopts the following protective covenants and imposes them upon the property comprising the said plat and upon all portions therein. These protective covenants shall run with the land and shall be binding on all parties or legal entities and on all persons or legal entities claiming under them for a period of twenty-five (25) years from the date of the recording of this plat, after which time said covenants shall be automatically extended for successive periods of ten years unless an instrument, signed by a majority of the then owners of the lots located herein, has been recorded, agreeing to change said covenants, in whole or in part. Enforcement of these protective covenants shall be by proceedings at law or in equity against the person, persons, or legal entities violating or attempting to violate any of these covenants. Said action may be either to restrain violation or to recover damages therefor. Invalidation of any one of these covenants, or any portion thereof, by judgment or court order, shall in no wise effect any one of the other provisions or other portions thereof, which shall remain in full force and effect.

- No lot shall be used except for single family residential purposes, provided that Parcels A.
   B. C. D and E may be used for entranceway signage and landscaping.
- 2. No buildings, or additions thereto, shall be erected, altered, placed or permitted to remain on any lot herein other than one detached single-family dwelling not to exceed two stories in height, except that a third story shall be permitted if it is designed in such fashion as to fit within the normal roof-line of a two story structure in the area that would normally be considered attic area, with all construction being subject to prior review and approval of the Architectural Review Board as hereinafter set out. This covenant shall not be construed to permit necessary outbuildings as hereinafter provided, which may be authorized and approved by the ARB.
- 3. Each residence constructed within said plat shall have a minimum square footage of air conditioned and heated living area of at least 1600 square feet, exclusive of open porches, attached garages, carports or other non-living areas, or, in the case of any residence to be constructed having more than one story, the same must have a minimum ground floor living area of at least 1200 square feet. All lots within this plat must have and continue to have a minimum of 60 feet frontage at the building set-back line, unless a lesser amount is reflected on this original plat, in which case the minimum foot frontage at the building setback line shall be as reflected on this original plat.
- No building or addition thereto or fence, swimming pool or ancillary structure shall be erected, altered, placed on any lot until and unless the construction plans and specifications and a plan showing the location of the structure on the lot have been approved by the Architectural Review Board in all respects. No fence or wall shall be erected or placed on any lot nearer to any street than the minimum set-back lines of said lot unless similarly approved. Approval shall be by the ARB which is comprised of not less than three (3) individuals originally, namely Mark Fain, Norman Schlemmer and a third individual to be designated by the Sturbridge Homeowners Association, Inc. The ARB must approve any and all aspects of any and all construction and improvements on each lot within the plat herein set out. Each request for approval must be accompanied by a payment of \$50.00 to the ARB, along with two sets of plans for the proposed construction, renovation, improvement or other action requiring ARB approval, one set of plans will be retained by the ARB and one set will be returned to the builder or lot owner. In the case of original construction, said plans must include specifications, exterior colors, landscape plans and overall site plan. The ARB will establish its own requirements, procedures, policies, and time frames, which requirements shall be available, on request, to local owners, their architects. or builders. All approvals by the ARB must be in writing, and dated, and must be signed by a minimum of one member of the ARB, and where plans and specifications are required said approval should be reflected on a copy of the plans and specifications submitted to the ARB for approval. The ARB may, in its unrestricted discretion, reduce, increase or waive the approval fee in the event the approval sought is not for new home construction or a major renovation or addition and the ARB may periodically modify or amend its requirements, but in no event shall its requirements be less restrictive than these protective covenants otherwise require. The ARB may set site standards, building design and materials standards, building construction standards, and other standards that it deems appropriate. Approval of any plans or the setting of any requirement for approval shall not and does not constitute any representation or guaranty of safety or architectural integrity, by the ARB, which instead, shall be the sole responsibility of each lot owner. The declarant may turn over the function of the ARB to the Sturbridge Homeowner's Association, which has been organized as a part of this over-all development at any time the declarant deems appropriate prior to full and total development of the entire residential portion of the Sturbridge Subdivision, including all separate plats and portions thereof, but declarant shall transfer said ARB responsibility to the Association no later than sixty (60) days after the last residential lot within the Subdivision is developed by a substantial completion of construction thereon.

- No building shall be erected on any lot nearer to the front lot line or nearer to the side street line than the minimum building set-back lines shown on this recorded plat. No building shall be located nearer than FOUR (4) feet to an interior lot line. There shall be a minimum of EIGHT (8) feet of separation between principal buildings, which area shall be available as a limited easement for roof eave overhangs, water drainage, and principal building maintenance as herein provided. In the event one principal building shall be built within FOUR (4) feet of its lot line, the principal building on the adjoining lots shall not be less than EIGHT (8) feet from the outside wall of such principal building and said FOUR (4) feet from the outside wall of such principal building shall also serve as a temporary construction easement during the construction period of new homes, at reasonable times during daylight hours, and for the drainage of water from the lots and the roofs of the buildings. Except as specified herein, the abutting owner shall not have rights of ingress and egress and lot owners may fence, landscape and improve such area so long as drainage of water from said premises is not unreasonably impeded. For the purposes of this covenant, eaves, steps, stoops or entrance platforms, and ornamental planting boxes shall not be considered as a part of a building, provided, however, that this shall not be construed to permit any portion of a building on any lot to encroach on, under or above any other lot.
- No lot shall be split, divided or subdivided for sale, resale, gift, transfer or otherwise.
   Declarant reserves the right to amend the final plat for the purposes of decreasing or increasing lot and parcel sizes.
- 7. Easements for installation and maintenance of utilities and private drainage and access are reserved as shown on this plat. The easement areas shall be maintained continuously by the owner of the respective lot, except for those improvements for which a public utility company is responsible. No object or improvement may be placed or constructed, either partially or wholly, and no lot owner shall otherwise do anything within the area of any drainage easement if it prevents, impairs or diverts, in any way, the free flow of water in or through said drainage easement. No water shall be diverted to other lots other than on established drainage easements.
- 6. The owners of the lots within this subdivision will not erect or grant to any person, firm, or corporation, the right, license, or privilege to erect or use, or permit the use of overhead wires, poles, or overhead facilities of any type or kind for electrical, electronic communication, or telephone service on said real estate (except such poles and overhead facilities as may be required at those places where distribution facilities enter and leave said subdivision). Nothing herein shall be construed to prohibit overhead street lighting fixtures, or ornamental yard lighting where such is serviced by underground wires or cables.
- 9. No separate garages or out buildings or auxiliary structures of any kind or nature, except garden or ornamental landscape structures, shall be erected or allowed to occupy any portion of any lot, and no such building shall be constructed, used or occupied prior to the construction of the main house structure, except such as may be used in storing tools and materials for the construction of the main house. Any garage or outbuilding shall be of a permanent nature and shall conform to the general architecture of the principal building. Prefabricated, metal or portable structures are considered nonconforming. Any such temperary metal or wooden storage buildings be permitted without ARB approval.
- 10. No noxious or offensive trade or activity shall be carried on upon any lot, nor shall anything be done thereon which may be or may become an annoyance or nuisance to the neighbors or the neighborhood.
- 11. No structure of a temporary character, trailer, tent, mobile home, motor home, recreational vehicle, camper, basement, shack, garage, barn or other out building or auxiliary structure shall be used at any time as a residence, either temporarily or permanently.

- 12. No sign of any kind shall be displayed visible to the public view on any lot except one professional sign of not more than one square foot. In the case of advertising the property for sale or rent or in the case of signs used by a builder to advertise the property during the construction and sale period, one sign of not more than five(5) square feet of advertising shall be allowed on any lot.
- 13. No oil drilling, oil development operations, oil refining, quarrying or mining operations of any kind shall be permitted upon, in or under any lot, nor shall oil wells, tunnels, tanks, mineral excavations or shafts be permitted on, upon, or under any lot. No derrick or other structure designed for use in drilling for oil, water or natural gas shall be erected, maintained or permitted on any lot without the express prior written consent of the Architectural Review Board. No individual water supply system or water softener system nor any sewage system shall be permitted on any lot, unless such system is approved by the Architectural Review Board and designed, located, constructed and equipped in accordance with the requirements, standards and recommendations of any applicable water authorities, Montgomery County Health Department, and all other applicable governmental authorities.
- 14. No animals, livestock, or poultry of any kind shall be raised, bred or kept on any lot, except that dogs, cats, and other normal and common household pets may be kept provided that they are not kept, bred or maintained for any commercial purpose, and provided that they are kept in reasonable numbers and under reasonable conditions so as not to create a nuisance and not to otherwise unreasonably disturb the neighbors or the neighborhood.
- 15. No fence, wall, hedge or shrub planting which obstructs sight lines at elevations between two and six feet above the roadways shall be placed or permitted to remain on any corner lot within that triangular area formed by the street property lines and a line connecting them at points twenty-five (25)feet from the corner intersection of said street lines. The same sight-line limitations shall apply on any lot within twenty (20) feet from the intersection of a street property line with the edge of a driveway pavement. No tree shall be permitted to remain within such distances, areas or such intersections unless the foliage line is maintained at a sufficient height to prevent obstruction of such sight lines.
- 16 Additional general covenants and restrictions:
  - (a) Garages. All garages shall open toward the interior lot line unless otherwise approved by the ARB. Garage doors shall remain closed except when vehicles are entering and/or exiting the garage.
  - Parking. Vehicle parking on the street in front of houses shall be limited to the temporary parking of guest vehicles or resident vehicles in current use and currently licenced. Storing automobiles, trucks, campers, boats, snowmobiles, motorcycles, motor bikes or any other vehicle of any other description in the street, driveway, yards of residences, in front of the principal building setback lines, is specifically prohibited. Such vehicles must be stored in a garage. Vehicle parking in grass shall not be permitted.
  - Use of property. No previously approved structure shall be used for any purpose other than that for which it was originally designed and approved.
  - Recreational vehicles. No boat, boat trailer, house trailer, horse trailer, trailer, camper, motor home or any similar items shall be stored on or at any lot for a period of time in excess of twenty-four (24) hours, unless the same are housed in a carport or garage.
- (a) Commercial trucks. No commercial truck, commercial vehicle or commercial equipment shall be permitted to be parked or to be stored at any place in the Subdivision. This prohibition on parking and storage shall not apply to temporary parking of trucks and/or commercial vehicles used for pick up and delivery.

- Remedies for vehicle and/or recreational equipment violations. Any such vehicle or recreational equipment parked in violation of these covenants or regulations contained herein or in violation of the rules and regulations now or hereafter adopted by the Association may be towed away by the Association, at the sole expense of the owner of such vehicle or recreational equipment if it remains in violation of said restrictions for a period of more than twenty-four (24) hours. The Association shall not be liable to the owner of such vehicle or recreational equipment, nor to the respective lot owners, for trespass, conversion or otherwise, nor guilty of any criminal or quasi criminal act by reason of such towing, and neither its removal or failure of the owner to receive any notice of said violation shall be grounds for relief of any type.
- Vehicle Maintenance and Repair. No vehicle maintenance or repair shall be performed on any vehicles upon any portion of any lot or any street within the Subdivision, unless performed in a garage, except in an emergency situation. Notwithstanding the foregoing, all repairs to disabled vehicles on any portion of any lot or any street within the Subdivision must be completed within four (4) hours from its immobilization or the vehicle must be removed. The Association shall be allowed to maintain and store its maintenance vehicles, if applicable, in specific areas of the Subdivision as necessary for the operation and maintenance of the common areas of the Subdivision.
- Accumulation of Refuse. No lumber, metals, bulk materials, refuse or trash shall (h) be kept, stored or allowed to accumulate on any part of any lot or any street within the Subdivision, except building materials used during the course of original construction of any approved structure, or any approved renovation, repair or reconstruction. If trash or other refuse is to be disposed of by being picked up and carried away on a regular and recurring basis, containers must only be placed in the open on any day that a normal pick up is to be made, at such place to provide making such pickup. At all other containers shall be stored in such a manner so that they cannot be seen from the adjacent and surrounding lots. The ARB, in its discretion, may adopt and promulgate reasonable rules and regulations relating to the size, shape, color and type of containers permitted and the manner of storage of the same.

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- Business Activity. No profession or home industry or other commercial venture shall be conducted in or on any part of a lot or in any improvements thereon. The Board of Directors of the Association, (hereinafter referred to as the "Board") in its discretion, upon consideration of the circumstances in each case, and particularly upon consideration of the effect of surrounding property and property owners, may permit the conduct of a profession or home industry within a residence located within the Subdivision. Such commercial operation may be permitted only after the Board has determined that it is compatible with a high quality residential neighborhood and does not unreasonably interfere with the adjoining lots or adjoining lot owners. Any such approval granted by the Board may be withdrawn if the Board determines that such authorized or permitted activity is unreasonably interfering with the rights of the Subdivision or any individual lot owner within said Subdivision. In no event shall any part of any structure thereon be used as а school, care center, kindergarten, learning center, musical instrument or voice training center, or other public building, including non-profit or charitable institutional use.
- (j) Air conditioning units and solar collectors. No wall or window air conditioning units or solar collectors shall be permitted except with the prior written consent of the ARB.
- Pipes and clotheslines. No water pipes, gas pipes, sewer pipes, drainage pipes or clotheslines may be installed or maintained on any lot within the Subdivision so as to be visible from adjoining lots or public view except hoses and movable pipes used for temporary irrigation purposes.

- (I) Real estate office or subdivision office. The Declarant may, in Declarant's sole discretion, use any lot within the Subdivision for the construction of and/or use of a building constructed thereon as a subdivision office, real estate office or model home, and as such the same shall not be subject to terms, provisions and requirements of these covenants until such time as all other lots within the Subdivision have been sold and upon that occurrence said lot and building constructed thereon shall, as soon as reasonably possible and to the extent reasonably and economically practical, be brought into compliance with these covenants.
- (m) <u>Machinery</u>. No machinery shall be placed on or operated upon any portion of any lot within the Subdivision except such machinery as is normal and usual in the maintenance of a private residence, or except such as is necessary during the original construction of a residence or a major renovation or Improvement thereto.
- (n) Mailboxes. The design of all mailboxes must be approved by the ARB and said ARB may establish a common design and a required location for all mailboxes, so long as compatible with the requirements of the United States Postal Service. If required by the ARB, the homeowner, shall purchase from the ARB at a standard common charge to be applied uniformly, a standard mailbox and shall install and maintain said mailbox in appropriate condition and repair, with original color scheme being maintained thereon, as required by the ARB. Any damage or destruction to mailboxes which cannot be adequately repaired will result in the lot owner being required to purchase a replacement mailbox meeting the previous requirements.
- Authorized Use and Exceptions. Notwithstanding other provisions herein, each (0) lot and residence located within the Subdivision shall be used as only a single family residence and subject to all other requirements hereunder, but the ARB may authorize any lot owner, with respect to his or her residence, to temporarily use same for more than one family, to temporarily maintain a sign other than expressly permitted herein, to locate other temporary structures on a lot, and may make other exceptions to these covenants. In all such instances, approvals and exceptions by the ARB must be in writing and each case and each request shall be reviewed on its own merits and the ARB shall have unrestricted discretion and neither the granting of similar requests for other lot owners nor the approval and consent of adjoining lot owners shall in any way be a determinative influence on the decision of the ARB.
- Prohibitive Uses. No person shall, without the written approval of the Association (p) or the ARB, as the case may be, do any of the following on any part of any lot, the common areas or any portion of the Subdivision; (1) use gas or electric motor boats on any lake or pond; (2) boat or fish without permission (no permission to boat or fish will be granted to anyone under the age of sixteen years, unless they will be accompanied by an adult); (3) permit the running of animals except when on a leash; (4) light any fires except in designated picnic area facilities or within a residence or in an appropriately located grill; (5) fell any trees or injure or damage any landscaping within the "common areas"; (6) interfere with or block any drainage, utility or access easement or nature riding or walking trail; (7) build any structures, fences, recreational or other common facilities other than those approved by the ARB; (8) discharge any liquid or other materials other than natural water drainage into any lake, pond, or water course; (9) alter or obstruct any lakes, ponds or water courses, nature riding or walking trails or easement areas or (10) interfere with any water control structures or apparatus. There shall be absolutely no swimming or wading in any part of the lakes, ponds or streams. Nor shall any person violate any rules regulations and that established by the Association governing the use of common areas or the rules or requirements that may be established by the ARB.

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Lakes, ponds and waterfront areas. The lakes, ponds and waterfront areas. should they exist, which may be located within the residential portions or residential plats of the Sturbridge Plantation Subdivision, nature and riding and walking trails, if and when dedicated, are and shall be a part of the common areas of the residential portions of the subdivision, whether or not they may be located within this particular plat. A perpetual easement in favor of the Association is hereby created for the benefit of the Association and for the benefit of the Individual lot owners, over any portions thereof designated on the face of the plat as a drainage easement or access easement whereby said dedication is made. as a drainage easement or an access easement are a part of the "common areas" of the subdivision whether or not they may be located within this particular plat. The owners of all lots shall be subject to a perpetual easement in favor of the Association and other lot owners over any portions thereof designated on the face of the plat at a drainage easement or an access easement either to the lakes. ponds, waterfront areas or otherwise. Each lot owner shall have the right, at all times, of ingress and egress to and from such water, but shall be responsible for the maintenance thereof, as a member of the Homeowner's Association, and shall be responsible for the maintenance of his entire lot, including easement areas, when not included as a common area. It is understood and agreed that all such rights are for the joint mutual benefit of all lot owners within the Subdivision and that said lakes, ponds, waterfront areas and waterways, if developed and dedicated are and shall be for the primary purpose of aesthetic benefits. beautification and pleasure of the lot owners within the Subdivision and their visitors and guests, but that said lakes, ponds and waterways also serve other useful and necessary purposes. For these reasons, except to the extent that insurance coverage may be provided by the Association, and in consideration of the sale of each respective lot and the joint mutual benefits attendant thereto, the owners of each lot within the Subdivision whether abutting the water or not, shall and do by the purchase of a lot within said Subdivision release and discharge the Declarant, the Association and/or its officers and directors, the City of Montgomery, Alabama a municipal corporation, from any and all claims for debts or darnages sustained by the lot owner or existing in the lot owner's favor, to the lot owner, to the lot owner's property and property rights heretofore or hereafter to be sustained or to accrue by reason or on account of the existence of, operation of, and maintenance of said lakes, ponds or waterways. In addition, each lot owner shall indemnify, defend and hold harmless the Declarant and the Association, and/or its officers and directors, and the other lot owners within said division from any and all liability, damages or responsibilities and a result of any injury or damage claims made by the lot owner, the lot owner's family, visitors or guests. Absolutely no swimming or bathing is allowed in any lake, stream or water course within the Subdivision.

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Owners Easement of Enjoyment, Every lot owner shall have a right and easement of enjoyment in and to the common areas within the Subdivision, Subject to the terms of this Declaration and to any restrictions or limitations contained in any deed or amendment to this Declaration conveying to the Association or subjecting such property to this Declaration. Lot owners may delegate, in accordance with the By-Laws of the Association, his or her right of enjoyment of the use of common areas and facilities to the members of his or her family, tenants and social invitees. The Association shall have the right to charge a reasonable admission fee or usage fee for admission to use any recreational area or facility situated upon the common areas, including without limitation all registration fees, annual dues and assessments for Sturbridge Plantation Pool, Park and Fitness Center, and shall have the right to suspend the voting rights and rights to use said common areas or recreational facilities by any owner for any period of time during which any assessment against his lot remains unpaid, or for a period not to exceed sixty (60) days for any infraction of the published rules and regulations of the Association. The Association shall have the right and power, after a two-thirds affirmative vote, to grant and dedicate all or a part of the common areas to an appropriate local, state or federal government entity.

- All lots adjacent to water shall be subject to a storm drainage overflow easement. No permanent structure shall be placed over any part of the drainage overflow easement without prior written approval from the ARB. The owner of each lot abutting the storm drainage overflow easements shown on this plat will hold the City of Montgomery, Alabama, Southern Boulevard Corporation, its successors and assigns, Sturbridge Homeowners Association, its successors and assigns harmless from any damages or injury by storm water runoff to physical property or life, human or animal. The City of Montgomery, Alabama, will not be responsible for installation and/or maintenance of the drainage overflow easement or in any private storm drainage easement.
- (t) Any lot which shall abut any lake, stream, pond or other waterway shall be subject to the following additional restrictions:
  - 1) No pier, dock or other structure or obstruction shall be built or maintained upon any waterfront lot or into the waterway on the property or adjacent thereto except with the specific written approval of the ARB.
  - 2) Except with the prior written approval of the Association and/or ARB, no device may be constructed or installed upon any lot which shall in any way alter the course or natural boundaries of any waterway or which shall involve or result in the removal of water from any waterway.
  - 3) All such lots shall be subject to a perpetual easement in favor of the Association over that portion thereof designated on the face of the plat a "storm drainage overflow easement" including the right to overflow and submerge the portion of the lot included therein.
  - 4) The owner of each lot shall have the right at all times of ingress and egress to and from the water, but shall be responsible for the maintenance of the lot between the side lot lines of his property and the water's edge.
  - 5) The owner of each lot abutting the water's edge shall release and discharge the Association and the City of Montgomery, Alabama, a municipal corporation, Southern Boulevard Corporation and Sturbrige Homeowners's Association, from any and all claims for debt or damage sustained by owner or existing in owner's favor, to owner, owner's property and property rights heretofore or hereafter to be sustained or accrued by reason or account of the operation of said lakes, streams, ponds or other waterway.
- 17. In order to beautify said Subdivision for the benefit of all lot owners and to permit the utility companies to install underground utility services to each house in said Subdivision, no owner of any lot within such Subdivision will commence construction of any house on any lot until such owner (1) notifies the utility companies that such construction is proposed, (2) grants in writing to said companies such rights and easements as they request in connection with their construction, operation, maintenance and removal of the underground service laterals on each lot and (3) provides at his, her or its own expense, and in accordance with specifications to be furnished by the utilities, all excavating, trenching and backfilling which said utility company requests in connection with the installation of the underground service or service laterals on each lot.

- 18. Pursuant to an agreement between the Declarant and Alabama Power Company (APC). and/or Dixie Electric Cooperative, Inc. (DEC), APC or DEC will at their own expense provide the owner of each lot within said Subdivision, on which a house is constructed, with an outdoor metering base on the rear or side exterior of each house, and subsequent to owner's completion of excavation work necessary in connection therewith, will provide and install at its own expense, the underground service lateral exitending from the incoming service point to the outdoor metering base. APC or DEC, their successors and assigns, will retain title to the underground service lateral and outdoor metering base servicing each said house, and said service entrance facilities provided by APC or DEC will not in any way be considered a fixture or fixtures and thereby a part of said real estate, but will remain movable personal property belonging to sald APC or DEC, their successors and assigns, and will be subject to removal by APC or DEC, their successors and assigns, in accordance with applicable rules and regulations approved by the Alabama Public Service Commission, if required or applicable. Similar agreements may be reached with other utility providers and in such event the declarant may similarly obligate the property throughout the Subdivision and each lot described in this plat and the lot owners thereof.
- No satellite antenna disks shall be erected or placed on any lot, without written approval from the ARB.
- 20. There is a Homeowner's Association, which is identified as the Sturbridge Homeowner's Association, hereinbefore and after referred to as the "Association", in which the owners of each lot are entitled to participate having one vote per residential lot, and to which the owners of each lot shall be obligated, by ownership of said lot to be a member thereof, and shall be obligated to pay an annual base assessment and any other special assessments that may be assessed by said association or its governing body, including without limitation to any fee based amenities, such as the Sturbridge Plantation Pool, Park and Fitness Center. The failure to pay same in a timely fashion will result in a lien against subject real property, as herein after set out. Said association shall primarily be responsible for the installation and maintenance of areas of common responsibility (common areas) within the Subdivision, and the operation of the ARB and may provide insurance protection and/or other protections or guarantees to the association in general and to the individual lot owners within the Subdivision. This paragraph in this plat document, is intended to merely be a general description of the existence of said association to the lot owners, their heirs and assigns, and their obligations with relation thereto. Further, more specific and detailed terms, provisions, operating procedures, assessment responsibilities, and other terms and provisions relating to said Association will be more specifically and fully set out in a separate document which will be identified as the "Articles of Incorporation of Sturbridge Homeowner's Association, Inc." and the "By-Laws of Sturbridge Homeowner's Association, Inc.", as may be amended from time to time.
- 21. In addition to any other terms and provisions of the Articles of Incorporation and/or By-Laws of the Sturbridge Homeowner's Association, Inc., each lot owner shall be liable for a proportionate share of the expenses of the Association and particularly those which are incurred in the maintenance and repair of all common areas within the Subdivision, including without limitation to any fee based amenities, such as the Sturbridge Plantation Pool, Park and Fitness Center. The Association, through its Board will set the appropriate amount of said assessment and will establish the annual due date for same. Any assessment not paid within thirty (30) days after the due date shall bear interest the rate of ten percent (10%) per annum from the due date until the date when paid. All payments upon said assessment account shall be first applied to interest and then to the assessment payment first due. The Association is hereby granted a lien upon each lot and its appurtenances and its undivided Interest in the common areas, which lien shall secure and does secure the monies due for all assessments now or hereafter levied or subject to be levied against the owner of each lot, and shall also secure interest, if any, which may be due on the account of any delinquent assessment, and which lien shall also secure all costs and expenses, including a reasonable attorney's fee which may be incurred by the Association in enforcing this lien. Said lien being prior to all other liens except only tax liens in favor of the United States, State, County or municipality and shall cover all sums unpaid and due for dues or assessments, whether in the form of a general assessment or a special assessment. No lot owner or owners may escape or avoid responsibility for dues or assessments by his or her waiver of the use of or enjoyment of any of the common elements or by the abandonment or non-use of his or her

- lot, or by any other means. In addition, all lot owners shall join the Sturbridge Plantation Pool, Park and Fitness Center, and shall be liable for all registration fees, annual dues and assessments for such facilities.
- 22. The geographic area comprising this plat shall be deemed a "Neighborhood" by Declarant and as such may be subject to a "Neighborhood Assessment" as defined in the "Articles of Incorporation of Sturbridge Homeowner's Association, Inc." and the "By-Laws of Sturbridge Homeowner's Association, Inc.", as may be amended, modified or supplemented from time to time.
- 23. The Declarant may amend this Declaration of Protective Covenants at any time so long as Declarant has the right to appoint the Board of Directors of the Association; thereafter, this Declaration may be amended only by the affirmative vote or written consent of voting members representing seventy-five percent (75%) of the total votes of the Association. Any amendment must be recorded in the Office of the Judge of Probate of Montgomery County, Alabama.
- 24. The Association shall indemnify, defend and hold harmless every officer, director and committee member of the Association against any and all expenses, including trial and appellate attorney's fees and costs, reasonably incurred by or imposed upon any officer, director or committee member in connection with any action, suit or other proceedings to which he or she may be a party, by reason of being or having been an officer or director or committee member of the Association. The officers and directors shall not be liable for any mistake of judgment, negligent or otherwise, except for their own individual willful malfeasance, misconduct or bad faith, with regard to the business of the Association. The officers and directors shall have no personal liability with respect to any contract or other commitment made by them, in good faith, on behalf of the Association, except to the extent that they are members of the Association, and the Association shall indemnify, defend and forever hold each of said officers and directors free and harmless against any and all liability to others on account of any such contract or commitment. Any right of indemnification provided for herein shall not be exclusive of any other rights to which any officer or director. or former officer or director, may be entitled. The Association may, as a part of the common expense, maintain adequate general liability insurance, and officers and directors liability insurance to fund this obligation, if such insurance is reasonably available and felt to be appropriate by the Association.
- 25. Wherever the term "Owner" or "Developer" or "Declarant" is used herein, it shall include Southern Boulevard Corporation, its successors and assigns. These covenants and restrictions touch and benefit all of the land reflected on the above referenced plat map and shall run with the land and shall be binding upon the land, the Southern Boulevard Corporation, all subsequent lot owners or land owners within subject plat area, their successors and assigns, the utilities referenced herein either specifically or generally, and their successors and assigns. Invalidation of any of the foregoing covenants and restrictions, or parts thereof, shall in no way affect any other provision contained herein nor invalidated portion thereof. The Declarant reserves the right both for itself, its successors and assigns to change, alter, modify or amend these protective covenants in accordance with terms, provisions and requirements hereof until such time as the operation of the Association is turned over to the Association by the Declarant pursuant to paragraph 4 hereof. Under no circumstances may these covenants be changed, modified, altered or amended without the written consent of the Declarant or its successors or assigns so long as the Declarant, it successors and assigns continue to have operational control of the Association as more particularly set out hereinabove.
- 26. Upon sale of a lot, the owner so selling shall not have further liability for the obligations thereon which accrue against the lot sold after the date of the conveyance; provided, however, that nothing herein shall be construed so as to relieve an owner of any lot from any liabilities or obligations incurred prior to such sale pursuant to this Declaration of Covenants.

- 27. Any notice required or permitted herein shall be in writing and mailed, postage prepaid by registered or certified mall, return receipt requested and shall be directed as follows: if intended for a lot owner (1) to the address of the lot, if improved; (2) if the lot is not improved, to the address set forth in the purchase contract or purchase contract application; (3) if none of the foregoing, to the last known address of the owner. If intended for the Declarant, to the address of the Association, which is currently 9015 Sturbridge Place. Montgomery, Alabama, 36116.
- 28. The Declaration of Protective Covenants, Conditions and Restrictions shall be governed by the laws of the United States, the State of Alabama and the City of Montgomery. In no case shall this Declaration be interpreted or construed to violate any Federal, State, City of local requirements or regulations. These lots shall also be governed by the Articles, By-Laws, Rules and Regulations of the Association. If any conflict arises between this Declaration and the Articles, By-Laws, Rules and Regulations of the Association, then the more restrictive provision of either such document shall control.

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STATE OF ALABAMA MONTGOMERY COUNTY Pursuant to a resolution of its Board of Directors herein adopted, Southern Boulevard Corporation, a corporation, owner of the property shown above, hereby joins in, executes, and signs the foregoing surveyor's certificate plat, map and restrictions and adopts and approves this said plat and map on this the 22nd day of June 1999. ATTEST: SOUTHERN BOULEVARD CORPORATION, a corporation Its Secretary STATE OF ALABAMA MONTGOMERY COUNTY I, the undersigned authority, a Notary Public in and for said state at large, hereby certify that H.AL Scott and Jenny A. NewBy whose names as President and Secretary, respectively, of Southern Boulevard Corporation, a corporation, are signed to the foregoing surveyor's certificate, plat, map and restrictions and being informed of the contents of said certificate, plat, map and restrictions, in their official capacities, respectively, and with full authority, executed the same voluntarily for and as the and as the act of said corporation. Given under my hand and official seal this the 22 M day of TUNE, 1999.