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**RESTRICTIVE COVENANTS AND REGULATIONS FOR  
TOWN HOMES  
IN SOMERSET SUBDIVISION THIRTEENTH ADDITION**

WHEREAS, the undersigned are the owners of the lots contained in Somerset Subdivision Thirteenth Addition to Ames, Iowa; and

WHEREAS, for their own protection and for the benefit of subsequent owners of Lots within said subdivision, the said owners desire to restrict the use thereof in certain particulars;

NOW, THEREFORE, the parties hereto, in consideration of the covenants and agreements of each other, by these presents, covenant, bargain and agree among themselves and for their successors and assigns, as follows:

1. All lots shown as Town Home lots as designated in the final plat shall be known and described as residential lots and shall not be improved, used or occupied other than residential purposes. All construction shall conform to Somerset architectural guidelines.
2. The residences to be constructed or to be permitted to remain on Lots 1 through 41 shall meet the following requirements:
  - a. One-story residences on Lots 1 through 21 shall have a ground floor finished area of not less than 1,000 square feet. One-story residences on Lots 22 through 41 shall not be permitted.
  - b. One and one-half story residences, split-level residences and two-story residences on all Lots shall have a total finished area of not less than 1,000 square feet.
  - c. The computation of the floor area shall not include porches, breezeways or garages.
3. No building, fence, wall or other structure shall be commenced, erected or maintained on any Lot, nor shall any exterior addition, change or alteration be made until the plans and specifications showing the nature, kind, shape, height, materials and location of the same have been submitted to and approved in writing by the managers of Erben Hunziker and Margaret Hunziker Development, L.L.C., D & R Furman, L.L.C. and R. Friedrich and Sons, Inc., hereinafter referred to as

“Developers,” or by an Architectural Committee appointed by the Developers. The primary guidelines for approval are that the plans and specifications reflect harmony of external design and location in relation to surrounding structures and drainage patterns in accordance with the storm water management plan.

When dwellings have been constructed on all Lots within Somerset Subdivision Thirteenth Addition to Ames, Iowa, the requirements imposed by this paragraph shall terminate.

4. The following restrictions shall also constitute covenants:
  - a. There shall be no mobile homes placed or erected on any Lot.
  - b. No pre-erected dwelling shall be moved to any Lot.
  - c. Dwellings on all Lots must have a double attached garage, at a minimum.
  - d. No more than twelve inches of concrete block, poured concrete or wood foundation shall be exposed on any building unless the exposed material is covered with brick, stone veneer or siding. Exposed foundations must be painted to blend with exterior wall finishes.
  - e. Fences are permitted were consistent with Somerset Building Guidelines.
  - f. All building structures or improvements of any kind must be completed within twelve months of the commencement date of the construction. All excess dirt from the excavation shall be hauled from the Lot or used as a part of the final landscape plan. Any excess dirt, concrete or other debris may not be placed on other land within the subdivision. **IF CONSTRUCTION HAS NOT BEGUN ON A LOT WITHIN 12 MONTHS OF THE DATE ON THE DEED FROM DEVELOPERS, THE OWNER OF RECORD, AT DEVELOPER’S REQUEST, AGREES TO DEED THE PROPERTY BACK TO DEVELOPERS FOR 90% OF THE ORIGINAL PURCHASE PRICE. THERE WILL BE NO ADJUSTMENT FOR TAXES, CLOSING COSTS OR INTEREST FROM THE TIME OF THE ORIGINAL PURCHASE OF THE LOT AT THE TIME THE DEED IS CONVEYED TO DEVELOPERS. DEVELOPERS WILL PAY ONLY FOR DEED PREPARATION, RECORDING FEES AND TRANSFER TAXES.**
  - g. All homes must be built by a recognized homebuilder which shall be a homebuilder who completes construction of at least three new homes annually.
  - h. All finished Lots and house grades shall conform to the Developer’s grading plan which must be obtained from the Developers prior to construction.

- i. All mailboxes shall be placed according to United States Postal Service regulations. Individual mailboxes will not be permitted. Cluster boxes will be provided by the Postal Service.
- j. No above ground or non-permanent swimming pool shall be permitted on any Lot.
- k. No building or structure of a temporary character and no trailer, basement, tent, shack, garage or outbuilding shall be used at any time as a residential dwelling on any Lot, either temporarily or permanently.
- l. No tent, trailer, boat, camper, motor home or truck rated larger than  $\frac{3}{4}$ -ton or other movable or temporary structure or enclosure shall be maintained or parked on any Lot or street within public view for more than a total of thirty (30) days in any calendar year or forty-eight (48) consecutive hours.
- m. No rubbish containers shall be visible from the street except on pickup day and one day before and one day after pickup day. Construction waste containers shall be exempt from this provision; however, the builder or Lot owner shall be responsible for keeping the construction debris contained on the Lot and in the construction waste containers.
- n. Satellite dishes or parabolic devices in excess of twenty (20) inches in diameter used to receive television or other signals from satellites shall not be permitted. The satellite dishes or parabolic devices shall be mounted on the rear elevation or the rear half of the side elevation only. In no event shall a satellite dish or parabolic device be mounted on the front elevation or the front half of a side elevation.
- o. No extension towers or antennas of any kind shall be constructed, modified or permitted on any Lot except television or radio antennas of less than ten (10) feet are permitted on dwellings or garages.
- p. No noxious or offensive activities or odors shall be permitted on or to escape from any Lot, nor shall anything be done on any Lot which is or may become an annoyance or nuisance, either temporarily or permanently.
- q. No animals, livestock or poultry of any kind shall be raised, bred or kept on any lot, except that dogs, cats and other common household pets may be kept so long as they are not kept, bred or maintained for commercial purposes. One (1) dog and/or one (1) cat shall be permitted as long as it meets the requirement for same, a copy of which shall be signed and kept on file at the Town Home Homeowner's Association office for each pet.
- r. Following construction of the residential dwelling on any lot, the entire lot shall be sodded. In addition to the sod, the owner of the lot shall install

landscaping as per Somerset requirements. All landscaping plans must be approved by the Developers. Additional landscaping to be placed in front yards shall be approved by the Somerset Town Home Association.

- s. When the City of Ames requires the construction of public sidewalks, the sidewalks shall be constructed within twelve (12) months following the sale of any Lot or at the time of occupancy of any dwelling on a Lot, whichever occurs first.
- t. Textured shingles shall be used on all roofs.
- u. All build to lines and setbacks shall conform to the master Town Home plan.
- v. All homes may have a front porch a minimum of 6 feet and not to exceed 8 feet deep. The porch shall be in the front yard setback area.
- w. All roof pitches shall be 6-12 or greater.
- x. All homes shall be of design character consistent with the Architectural Guidelines.
- y. Once a Dwelling is sold and occupied, signage shall be limited to (i) address signage, (ii) owner identification signs, (iii) "For Sale" signs, (iv) "Garage Sale" signs, (v) special event signs (such as birthdays, graduations, or anniversaries, hereafter "Event" signs) (vi) political signs and (vii) other signs approved in writing by Declarant. "For Sale" signs shall only be displayed while a Dwelling is for sale and must be removed the day following the closing of the sale. "Garage Sale" and "event" signs shall only be displayed one day before the sale or event and during the sale or event and must be removed by the day following the sale or event. Political signs shall only be displayed up to two (2) weeks prior to an election, the day of the election and must be removed by the day following the election. Political signs not related to an election shall be displayed for a maximum of two weeks. Other signs permitted by Declarant shall be displayed for such times as authorized by Declarant. All such signs shall be limited to no more than 39" wide and 24" high and shall be professionally constructed. No hand painted signs will be allowed. Except for address and owner identification signs, no signs shall be erected on any building elevation, erected so that is visible through window or glass openings or, except for vehicles with professionally made business signage on the vehicles, attached to vehicles parked within the neighborhood.
- z. All outdoor light fixtures shall be designed, installed and maintained to prevent light trespass beyond the boundaries of the Lot. "Full cutoff" outdoor light fixtures which emit no light at or above the horizontal plane of

the fixture shall be utilized for all dusk to dawn light fixtures exceeding 300 lumens and for all manually switched or occupancy sensor switched fixtures exceeding 1000 lumens. Christmas lighting or other temporary outdoor lighting shall be exempt from this provision, but shall remain in place no longer than six weeks.

- aa. Each Lot owner shall keep the Lot free of weeds and debris and shall take all necessary steps to control erosion on the Lot. All Lot owners shall implement appropriate erosion control measures before, during and after construction. These measures may include silt fences, ground cover and seeding over exposed areas. If, in the opinion of Developers, erosion is not properly controlled, corrective action may be taken and the costs assessed against the Lot owner.
- 5. All of these restrictions shall be deemed to be covenants running with the land and shall endure and be binding upon all parties hereto, their successors and assigns, for a period of twenty-one (21) years from the date of the recording of these covenants, unless claims to continue any interest in the covenants are filed as provided by law.
- 6. In case of violation of any of the covenants, any person then owning a Lot in said subdivision or the City of Ames, Iowa, is authorized to resort to an action of law or equity for relief, either by injunction or in damages, against the person so violating said covenants.
- 7. Invalidation of any of these covenants by judgment or court order shall in no way affect the validity of any of the other provisions, but they shall remain in full force and effect.

Dated at Ames, Iowa this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 2003.

ERBEN HUNZIKER AND MARGARET HUNZIKER  
DEVELOPMENT, L.L.C.

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Dean E. Hunziker, Manager

STATE OF IOWA, STORY COUNTY, ss:

On this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2003, before me, Notary Public in and for the State of Iowa, personally appeared Dean E. Hunziker, to me personally known, who being by me duly sworn did say that that person is Manager of said limited liability company and that said instrument was signed on behalf of the said limited liability company by authority of its managers and the said Dean E. Hunziker acknowledged the execution of said instrument to be the voluntary act and deed of said limited liability company by it voluntarily executed.

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Notary Public in and for the State of Iowa

D & R FURMAN, L.L.C.

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Donald M. Furman, as Co-Trustee of the  
Donald and Ruth Furman Revocable  
Trust Dated March 1, 1991, Member

STATE OF IOWA, STORY COUNTY, ss:

On this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2003, before me, Notary Public in and for the State of Iowa, personally appeared Donald M. Furman, Co-Trustee, to me personally known, who being by me duly sworn did say that that person is a Member of said limited liability company and that said instrument was signed on behalf of the said limited liability company by authority of its managers and the said Donald M. Furman acknowledged the execution of said instrument to be the voluntary act and deed of said limited liability company by it voluntarily executed.

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Notary Public in and for the State of Iowa

R. FRIEDRICH AND SONS, INC.

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Reinhard K. Friedrich, President

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Robert K. Friedrich, Jr., Vice President

STATE OF IOWA, STORY COUNTY, ss:

On this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2003, before me, the undersigned, a Notary Public in and for the State of Iowa, personally appeared Reinhard K. Friedrich and Robert K. Friedrich, Jr., to me personally known, who being by me duly sworn, did say that they are the President and Vice President, respectively, of the corporation executing with within and foregoing instrument, that no seal has been procured by the corporation; that said instrument was signed on behalf of the corporation by authority of its Board of Directors; and that Reinhard K. Friedrich and Robert K. Friedrich, Jr., as such officers, acknowledged the execution of the foregoing instrument to be the voluntary act and deed of the corporation, by it and by them voluntarily executed.

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Notary Public in and for the State of Iowa