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**DECLARATION OF COVENANTS, CONDITIONS AND RESTRICTIONS
FOR
ACOSTA WEST SUBDIVISION**

IN THE CITY OF COUNCIL BLUFFS, IOWA

THIS DECLARATION, made this 13th day of July, 2010 by the undersigned,

WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, the undersigned is the Owner and Developer of the real estate described in Clause I of this Declaration, and is desirous of subjecting the real property described in said Clause I to the conditions, restrictions, limitations, covenants, reservations, easements, liens and charges hereinafter set forth, each and all of which is and are for the benefit of said property and for each owner thereof and shall inure to the benefit of and pass with said property, and each and every parcel thereof, and shall apply to and bind the successors in interest and any owner thereof;

NOW, THEREFORE, the undersigned hereby declares that the real property described in and referred to in Clause I hereof, is and shall be held, transferred, sold and conveyed, subject to the conditions, restrictions, limitations, covenants, reservations, easements, liens and charges herein set forth.

CLAUSE I

Property Subject to this Declaration

The real property which is, and shall be, held and shall be conveyed, transferred, and sold, subject to these conditions, restrictions, limitations, reservations, easements, liens and charges, with respect to the various portions thereof set forth in the various clauses and subdivisions of this Declaration is located in the City of Council Bluffs, Pottawattamie County, State of Iowa, and is more particularly described in the final plat of ACOSTA WEST SUBDIVISION in Council Bluffs, Iowa, attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference.

No property other than that described above shall be subject to this Declaration, unless and until specifically made subject thereto.

CLAUSE II

General Purposes of Conditions

The real property described in Clause I hereof is subject to the conditions, restrictions, limitations, covenants, reservations, easements, liens and charges hereby

declared to insure the best use and the most appropriate development and improvement of each building site thereof.

Plans and specifications must be submitted to the ACOSTA WEST SUBDIVISION Developer for approval to protect owners and guard against improper use of surrounding building sites as will depreciate the value of their property; to preserve, as far as practical, the natural beauty of said property; to guard against erection of poorly designed or proportioned structures, and structures built of improper or unsuitable materials; to insure the highest and best development of said property; to prevent haphazard and inharmonious improvements of building sites; to prevent inappropriate location of structures on building sites; to obtain harmonious color schemes; to encourage and secure the erection of attractive homes thereon; to secure and maintain proper setbacks from street and adequate free spaces between structures; and in general to provide adequately for quality improvement of said property and thereby enhance the values of investments made by the purchasers of the building sites therein.

1. All lots described herein shall be known, described and used solely as residential lots, and no structures shall be erected on any lot other than one detached single family dwelling not to exceed two stories in height and a garage for not less than two automobiles and not more than three automobiles.

2. No trailer, basement, tent, shack, garage, barn or outbuilding shall be used as a residence, temporarily or permanently, nor shall any residence of a temporary character be permitted.

3. Recreational vehicles, mobile homes, campers, motor homes, trailers, motorcycles, motorboats, house boats or similar water boats maybe maintained, stored or kept on any parcel of property covered by these covenants providing they are placed to the rear of the parcel and are screened from view by an attractive fence, plans for which shall be submitted to the ACOSTA WEST SUBDIVISION Developer as referred to in Paragraph "5" or housed within the garage of said home. Unused vehicles shall be housed within the garage and no lot shall be used for the purpose of selling, leasing or repairing vehicles for commercial purposes.

4. No building shall be erected on any lot unless the design and location is in harmony with the existing structures and location in the tract, and does not violate any of the protective covenants herein. All buildings shall have not less than 950 total square feet of living area. Square footage requirements are exclusive of porches and/or attached garages.

5. No changes, alterations, additions, buildings, fences or walls shall be commenced without submission and approval of plans and specifications to the ACOSTA WEST SUBDIVISION Developer, showing the nature, kind, shape, height, materials and location of same. In the event such plans are neither approved or disapproved within 30 days after submission, such approval shall not be required so long as such design and location are harmonious with existing structures and do not violate any restrictive covenants. The primary purpose of this covenant is to protect the value of the homes in the development. This covenant is not to be construed as a means of suppressing expressions of individuality.

6. No fence shall be erected on any lot which would extend forward past the rear of any house erected thereon.
7. All front foundations facing streets are to be covered with brick, stone or painted.
8. The front, side and back yards shall be seeded or sodded with grass.
9. The title-holder or contract holder of each lot, vacant or improved, shall keep his/her lot or lots free of weeds and debris.
10. No lot shall be used or maintained as a dumping ground for rubbish, trash, garbage, or other wastes.
11. No offensive or obnoxious trade shall be carried on upon any lot, nor shall anything be done thereon which may be or become an annoyance or nuisance to the neighborhood.
12. No animals, livestock or poultry of any kind shall be raised, bred or kept on any lot, except that dogs, cats or other household pets may be kept provided they are not kept, bred or maintained for any commercial purposes.
13. No satellite dish or tower for television or other communication purposes, shall be placed on any lot, except one satellite dish, not to exceed 2 feet in diameter, may be placed on each lot.
14. Each property owner shall exercise as much care as is possible to retain natural vegetation, trees, shrubs and other similar growth. Prior to removal of such growth, the plans referred to in paragraph "5" shall be submitted to the ACOSTA WEST SUBDIVISION Developer for approval.
15. A minimum of one tree, at least two inches in diameter, will be planted by the builder in the area between the front of the dwelling and the street.
16. Garden sheds, or other similar type structures, will be allowed upon approval of plans and specifications by the Acosta Subdivision Developer. Buildings for garden tools, etc. shall be required to have a design similar to the house design with regard to siding materials, roofing materials and roof design. Metal storage buildings will not be allowed.
17. No dwelling from outside the development shall be moved to any location within ACOSTA WEST SUBDIVISION.
18. The maximum time allowed to complete construction and landscaping will be one year from commencement of construction. Excess dirt from excavation shall be hauled from the lot within the construction period. All excavation, backfilling and landscaping shall be done in a manner that the natural drainage is not altered to an extent that unreasonable or undesirable drainage or erosion results.
19. Materials and equipment used during the construction and landscaping process shall be stored and maintained on the lot in an orderly manner.
20. No business activities shall be conducted on any lot if the conduct of said business activity will result in an unreasonable increase in the traffic flow, increase in the

number of vehicles parked in the streets, or the presence of unsightly commercial vehicles.

21. No sign, billboard or other structure for advertising or the display of advertising material of any kind shall be erected, altered, placed or permitted to remain on any lot except that real estate for-sale or for-rent signs shall be permitted temporarily in the yards of dwellings which are being offered for sale or rent.

22. Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions, paragraphs '20' and '21' shall not restrict the business activities, advertising, signs and billboard, or the construction and maintenance of structures by the ACOSTA WEST SUBDIVISION Developer, its agents and assignees, during the construction and sale period of this development.

23. A perpetual easement for utility installation, maintenance and drainage facilities is reserved over, across and through the side five feet of all lots, and over, across and through the rear ten feet of all lots, or as otherwise specified on the final plat.

24. All buildings and improvements shall be constructed in compliance with the pertinent zoning and building codes of the City of Council Bluffs, Iowa.

25. No building shall be erected on any residential lot nearer than 25 feet from the front lot line. The setback for all buildings on the side of any corner lots abutting a public street or avenue shall be a minimum of 15 feet. The side yard set back line on each side of all other lots and on the side of a corner lot that does not abut a public Street or avenue shall be a minimum of 10 percent of the lot width at the building setback line, or a minimum of five feet, whichever is greater. The building set back line in the rear yard shall be a minimum of 20 feet for the residence and a minimum of 10 feet for any garden shed as contemplated in paragraph "16."

26. Public sidewalks shall be constructed of concrete four feet wide by four inches thick in front of each built-upon lot and along the street side of each built-upon corner lot.

27. Fruit or vegetable gardens shall not be permitted which would extend forward past the rear of any house erected on any lot.

28. These covenants are to run with the land and shall be binding on all parties and all persons claiming under them for twenty one (21) years from the date that this Declaration is recorded. It shall be lawful for any person or persons owning any lot in ACOSTA WEST SUBDIVISION to proceed at law or in equity against the person or persons violating or attempting to violate such covenant or restriction and either to enjoin him/her or them from so doing and to recover damages from such violation.

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

30. This Declaration may be amended by the ACOSTA WEST SUBDIVISION Developer in any manner, which it may determine in its full and absolute discretion, until all lots have been sold or for a period often (10) years from the date hereof, which ever first occurs. Thereafter, this Declaration may be amended by an instrument signed by the owners of not less than One Hundred percent (100%) of the lots

Pottawattamie County Auditor's Certification of Subdivision Name Approval

MARILYN JO DRAKE
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I, Marilyn Jo Drake, Auditor of Pottawattamie County, Iowa, or designee, do hereby certify that the subdivision name of the attached platting is unique within Pottawattamie County and is hereby approved.

Name of new subdivision:

ACOSTA WEST SUBDIVISION

Joan P. Miller Real Estate Clerk
Signed

8/18/2010
Date