BY-LAWS OF

SEA OATS VILLAS CONDOMINIUMS ASSOCIATION, INC.

ARTICLE I

PLAN OF UNIT OWNERSHIP

Section 1. Unit Ownership. Sea Oats Villas Condominiums hereinafter referred to as Condominium, located in the Town of Kill Devil Hills, Atlantic Township, Dare County, North Carolina is submitted to the provisions of Chapter 47A of the General Statutes of North Carolina, "Unit Ownership Act". The Administration thereof shall be by the Board of Directors herein described, subject to the powers of the owners as herein specified.

Section 2. By-Laws Applicability. The provisions of these By-Laws are applicable to the Condominium. The term "Condominium" as used herein shall mean The Condominium Buildings and shall include the land directly beneath as well as the improvements thereon. In construing these By-Laws, and the government of the Condominium thereto, the provisions of Chapter 55A of the North Carolina General Statutes pertaining to the government of nonprofit business corporations, shall be considered as governing to the extent not inconsistent with the provisions of Chapter 47A of the North Carolina General Statutes, the Declaration of Unit Ownership and these By-Laws, the condominium being considered the corporation and the owners being considered the members.

Section 3. Personal Application. All present and future owners, tenants and future tenants, and their employees, and any other person that may at any time use the facilities of the Condominium in any manner are subject to the regulations set forth in these By-Laws and to the declarations set forth in the Declaration of Unit Ownership (hereinafter referred to as Declaration), to which these By-Laws are attached.

The mere acquisition or rental of any of the Condominium Units (hereafter referred to as "Units") or the mere act of occupancy of any of said units will signify that these By-Laws as they may be amended from time to time, are accepted, ratified, and will be complied with.

ARTICLE II

THE OWNERS

Section 1. Owners. The Condominiums are owned by the owners of the units, each of whom shal be entitled to a percentage vote for each unit owned by him. The vote to be determined by the percentage of ownership of the General Common elements as specified in Section 5 of the Declaration. No lessee, lienholder, mortgagee, pledge or contract purchaser shall have any voting rights with respect to the affairs of the Condominium.

Section 3. Special Meetings. At any time in the interval between annual meetings, special meetings of the Condominium may be called by the President or by a majority of the Board of Directors by vote at a meeting or in writing with or without a meeting, or by one third (1/3rd) of the record owners of Condominium Units.

Section 4. Place of Meeting. All meetings of owners shall be held at the principal office of the Condominium in Kill Devil Hills, North Carolina, except in cases in which the notice thereof designates some other place, but all such meetings shall be held within the State of North Carolina.

Section 5. Notice of Meetings. Not less than ten days nor more than ninety days before the date of every owners' meeting, the secretary shall give to each owner entitled to vote at such meeting, written or printed notice stating the time and place of the meeting and, in the case of a special meeting, the purpose or purposes for which the meeting is called, either by mail or by presenting it to him personally or by leaving it at his residence or usual place of business. If mailed, such notice shall be deemed to be given when deposited in the United States mail addressed to the owner at his post office address as it appears on the records of the Condominium, with postage thereon prepaid, Notwithstanding the foregoing provision, a waiver of notice in writing signed by the person or persons entitled to such notice and filed with the records of the meeting, whether before or after the holding thereof, or actual attendance at the meeting in person or by proxy, shall be deemed equivalent to the giving of such notice to such persons. Any meeting of owners, annual or special, may adjourn from time to time to reconvene at the same or some other permitted place, and no notice need be given of any such adjourned meeting other than by announcement.

Section 6. Quorum. At any meeting of owners, the presence in person or by proxy of owners entitled to cast a majority of the votes thereat shall constitute a quorum; but this section shall not affect any requirement under statute or under the Declaration of the Condominium for the vote necessary for the adoption of any measure. In the absence of a quorum the owners present in person or by proxy, by majority vote and without notice other than by announcement, may adjourn the meeting from time to time until a quorum shall attend. At any such adjourned meeting at which a quorum shall be present, any business may be transacted which might have been transacted at the meeting as originally notified.

Section 7. Votes Required. A majority of the votes cast at a meeting of owners, duly called and at which a quorum is present, shall be sufficient to take or authorize action upon any matter which may properly come before the meeting, unless more than a majority of votes cast is required by statute or by the Declaration.

Section 8. Proxies. An owner may vote either in person or by proxy executed in writing by the owner or by his duly authorized attorney-infact. No proxy shall be valid after eleven months from its date, unless otherwise provided in the proxy. Every proxy shall be inwriting, subscribed by the owner or his duly authorized attorney, and dated, but need not be sealed, witnessed or acknowledged.

Section 9. List of Owners. At each meeting of owners, a full, true and complete list in alphabetical order of all owners entitled to vote at

Section 10. Informal Action by Directors. Any action required or permitted to be taken at any meeting of the Board of Directors or of any committee thereof may be taken without a meeting, if a written consent t such action is signed by all members of the Board of such committee, as the case may be, and such written consent is filed with the minutes of proceedings of the Board or Committee.

Section 11. Committees. The Board of Directors may by resolution provide for such standing or special committees as it deems desirable, and discontinue the same at pleasure. Each such committee shall have such powers and perform such duties, not inconsistent with law, as may be assigned to it by the Board of Directors.

Section 12. <u>Indemnification</u>. Every Director and every officer of the Association shall be indemnified by the Association against all expenses and liabilities, including counsel fees, reasonably incurred by or imposed upon him in connection with a Court proceeding to which he may become involved, by reason of his being or having been a director or officer of the Association, whether or not he is a Director or officer at the time such expenses are incurred, except in such cases wherein the Director or officer is adjudged guilty of malfeasance or negligence in the performance of his duties; provided, that in the event of a settlement, the indemnification herein shall apply only when the Board of Directors approves such settlement and reimbursement as being in the best interest of the Association. The foregoing right of indemnification shall be in addition to and not exclusive all rights of indemnification to which such Director or officer may be entitled.

Section 13. Budget.

A. The Board of Directors shall adopt a budget for each calendar year which shall contain estimates of the costs of performing the functions of the Association including but not limited to:

1. COMMON EXPENSES OF THE CONDOMINIUM

- (a) maintenance and upkeep of common areas and elements
- (b) maintenance and upkeep of association owned real and personal property
- (c) staff payroll, supplies and office expenses
- (d) managers salary or fees
- (e) insurance
- (f) common utilities, waste water treatment and disposal system maintenance and upkeep, which shall receive first priority of common expense funds.
- (g) service contracts
- (h) fees and permits
- 2. CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS RESERVE

ARTICLE IV

OFFICERS

Section 1. Executive Officers. The Board of Directors shall choose a President and a Vice President from among the directors, and a Secretary and a Treasurer who need not be directors. The Board of Directors may also choose an Assistant Secretary and an Assistant Treasurer, none of whom need be a director. Any two of the above mentioned officers, except that of President and Vice President, may be held by the same person, but no officer shall execute, acknowledge or verify any instrument in more than one capacity if such instrument be required by statute, by the By-Laws or by resolution of the Board of Directors to be executed. acknowledged or verified by any two or more officers. Each such officer shall hold office until the first meeting of the Board of Directors after the annual meeting of owners next succeeding his election, and until his successors shall have been duly chosen and qualified, or until he shall have resigned or shall have been removed. Any vacancy in any of the above officers may be filled for the unexpired portion of the term by the Board of Directors at any regular or special meeting.

Section 2. President. The President shall preside at all meetings of the owners and of the Board of Directors at which he shall be present; he shall have general charge and supervision of the business of the Condominium; he may sign and execute, in the name of the Condominium, all authorized deeds, mortgages, bonds, contracts or other instruments, except in cases in which the signing and execution thereof shall have been expressly delegated to some other officer or agent of the Condominium; and, in general, he shall perform all duties incident to the office of President, and such other duties as, from time to time, may be assigned to him by the Board of Directors.

Section 3. <u>Vice President</u>. The Vice President, at the request of the President or in his absence or during his inability to act, shall perform the duties and exercise the functions of the President, and when so acting shall have the powers of the President. The Vice President shall have such other powers and perform such other duties as may be assigned to him by the Board of Directors or the President.

Section 4. Secretary. The Secretary shall keep the minutes of the meetings of the owners and of the Board of Directors in books provided for the purpose; he shall see that all notices are duly given in accordance with the provisions of the By-Laws or as required by law; he shall be custodian of the records of the Condominium; and in general, he shall perform all duties incident to the office of Secretary, and such other duties as, from time to time, may be assigned to him by the Board of Directors or the President.

Section 5. Treasurer. The Treasurer shall have charge of and be responsible for all funds, securities, receipts and disbursements of the Condominium, and shall deposit, or cause to be deposited, in the name of the Condominium, all monies or other valuable effects in such banks, trust companies or other depositories as shall from time to time, be selected by the Board of Directors; he shall render to the President and to the Board of Directors, whenever requested, an account of the financial condition of

Section 5. Regular Meeting. After each meeting of owners at which a Board of Directors shall have been elected, the Board of Directors so elected shall meet as soon as practicable for the purpose of organization and the transaction of other business, at such time as may be designated by the owners at such meeting; and in the event that no other time is designated by the owners, the Board of Directors shall meet at 12:00 o'clock noon on the day of such meeting of the owners, if not a legal holiday, and if a legal holiday, then on the first day following which is not a Sunday or a legal holiday. Such first meeting shall be held at such place within or without the State of North Carolina as may be deisgnated by the owners, or in default of such designation at the place designated by the Board of Directors for such first regular meeting, or in default of such designation at the office of the Condominium in Kill Devil Hills, North Carolina. No notice of such first meeting shall be necessary if held as hereinabove provided. Other regular meetings of the Board of Directors shall be held on such dates and at such places within or without the State of North Carolina as may be designated from time to time by the Board of Directors.

Section 6. Special Meetings. Special meetings of the Board of Directors may be called at any time by the President or by the Board of Directors by vote at a meeting, or by a majority of the directors in writing with or without a meeting. Such special meetings shall be held at such place of places within or without the State of North Carolina as may be designated from time to time by the Board of Directors. In the absence of such designation, such meetings shall be held at such places as may be designated in the call.

Section 7. Notice of Meeting. Except as provided in Section 5 of this Article, notice of the place, day and hour of ever regular and special meeting shall be given to each director two days (or more) before the meeting, by delivering the same to him personally, or by sending the same to him by telegraph, or by leaving the same at his residence or usual place of business, or, in the alternative, by mailing such notice five days (or more) before the meeting, postage prepaid, and addressed to him at his last known post office address, according to the records of the Condominium. Unless required by these By-Laws or by resolution of the Board of Directors, no notice of any meeting of the Board of Directors, need state the business to be transacted thereat. No notice of any meeting of the Board of Directors need be given to any director who attends, or to any director who, in writing, executed and filed with the records of the meeting either before of after the holding thereof, waives such notice. Any meeting of the Board of Directors, regular or special, may adjourn from time to time to reconvene at the same or some other place, and no notice need be given of any such adjourned meeting other than by announcement.

Section 8. Quorum. At all meetings of the Board of Directors, one-half of the entire Board of Directors, but in no case less than two directors, shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. Except in cases in which it is by statute, by the Declaration or by the By-Laws otherwise provided, the vote of a majority of such quorum at a duly constituted meeting shall be sufficient to elect and pass any measure. In the absence of a quorum, the directors present by majority vote and without notice other than by announcement may adjourn the meeting

Section 6. Right of Entry. An owner shall grant right of entry to any person authorized by the Board of Directors of the Condominium in case of any emergency originating in or threatening his Unit, whether the owner is present at the time or not.

Section 7. Rules of Conduct.

- (a) No resident of the Condominium shall post any advertisements or posters of any kind on the exterior of the Condominium or on common elements.
- (b) Residents shall exercise care about making noises or in the use of musical instruments, radios, televisions and amplifiers that may disturb other residents.
- (c) Clothing, towels and other items of personal property shall not be hung on exterior railings or on any other exterior part of the building.

ARTICLE VI

INSURANCE

- Section 1. Protective Policies. The Board of Directors, shall procure and maintain, in its name as agent or trustees for the benefit of the co-owners who shall be deemed parties insured, policies of insurance in stock insurance companies licensed to do business in the State of North Carolina, to the extent obtainable, as follows:
- (a) A policy or policies insuring the building against loss, damage or destruction by fire or other casualty, including lightning, windstorm, hail, explosion, riot, civil commotion, aircraft, vehicle, falling objects, smoke, malicious mischief, vandalism, collapse through weight of snow, ice or sleet, water, flood and other similar casualty, in an aggregate amount equal to the full insurable replacement value of the building, without regard to depreciation. The policy or policies, unless otherwise insuring the Condominium Units against loss, damage or destruction, shall have a contingent or conditional endorsement, with limits equal to the replacement value of the Condominium Units, providing for payment by the insurer of a sum sufficient for restoration of each unit to a tenantable condition, in the event that the owner thereof shall fail or refuse to restore his unit within a reasonable time after loss, damage or destruction of such unit, by fire or other casualty insured against. In lieu of the aforegoing insurance, the Board of Directors may procure and maintain such other insurance against loss, damage or destruction of the general common elements, limited common elements and the Condominium Units, as shall give substantially equal or greater protection to the co-owners, as their interests may appear.
- (b) Such insurance as will protect the owners, and each of them, from claims under workmen's compensation acts and other employee benefit acts.
- (c) Such insurance as will protect the Manager, the Board of Directors, the owners, and each of them, from claims for damage to the

Section 8. Removal. Any officer or agent of the Association may be removed by the Board of Directors whenever, in its judgment, the best interests of the Association will be served thereby, but such removal shall be without prejudice to the contractural rights, if any, of the person so removed.

Section 9. Loans to Directors and Officers. No loans shall be made by the Association to any of its Directors or Officers. The Directors vote or assent to the making of such loan, shall be jointly and se eral liable to the Association for the amount of such loan until the relaym thereof.

ARTICLE V

OBLIGATIONS OF THE OWNERS

Section 1. Assessments. Each owner is obligated to pay the assessments imposed upon him by the Condominium to meet general common element expenses, which shall include a liability insurance policy premium and shall include a fire and other hazard premium, including flood insurance. The assessments shall be made prorata according to the percentage interest owned as stipulated in the Declaration. Such assessments may include payments to a general operating reserve. Any such assessments levied upon the owner of a unit shall become a lien on said unit at the time assessed and until paid in full. Each regular assessment levied shall be due and payable annually, thirty (30) days after assessed. Any special assessment, designated as such by the Board of Directors shall be due and payable when assessed. There will be no declaration in trust for enforcement of said lien.

Section 2. Maintenance and Repair.

- (a) Every owner must perform promptly all maintenance and repair work within his own unit which, if omitted, would affect the general or limited common elements, or any other unit, such owner being expressly responsible for the damages and liabilities his failure to do so may engender.
- (*) All the repairs of internal installations of the unit such as water, light, power, telephones, cable television, doors, windows, lamps and all other accessories belonging to the unit area shall be at the owner's expense.
- (c) An owner shall reimburse the Condomonium for any expenditures incurred in repairing or replacing any general or limited common element damaged through his fault, other than damage arising from an insured casualty.
- (d) During the period 1 November through 1 April of each year all owners must maintain heat within their respective unit at a minimum of fifty-five (55) degrees fahrenheit.

Section 3. Destruction of Buildings.

(a) In the event of the destruction of any part of the buildings of the Condominium, such destroyed part or parts shall be rebuilt unless such

- (b) In the event of the destruction of any part or all of the buildings of the Condominium amounting to more than two-thirds in value of the total value of both buildings, if three-fourths (3/4) of the owners of units shall duly resolve not to rebuild or restore the buildings at any owner's meeting called to consider the question of such restoration, the buildings shall not be restored, then and in that event:
- (1) The property shall be deemed to be owned as a tenancy in common by the unit owners;
- (2) The undivided interest in the proeprty owned by the unit owners as tenants in common which shall appertain to each unit owner shall be the percentage of undivided interest previously owned by such owner in the common areas and facilities:
- (3) Any liens affecting any of the units shall be deemed to be transferred in accordance with the existing priorities to the percentage of the undivided interest of the unit owner in the property as provided herein;
- (4) The property shall be subject to an action for sale for partition at the suit of any unit owner, in which event the net proceeds of sale, together with the net proceeds of insurance policies, if any, shall be considered as one fund and shall be divided among all the unit owners in proportion to their respective undivided ownership of the common areas and facilities, after first paying, out of the respective shares of unit owners, to the extent sufficient for that purpose, all liens on the unit of each unit owner; and
- (5) All real property owned by the Association itself shall be transferred by recordable instrument to the individual unit owners in the same proportions as their ownership in common area appears.
- (c) In the event of partial or complete destruction of any waste water treatment facility or any appurtenance thereto, the same shall be immediately reconstructed to original specifications meeting with the approval of the Dare County Health Department and other appropriate governmental agencies, with the first proceeds of the insurance thereon, or in the event insurance proceeds are delayed, the same shall be reconstructed with capital improvement reserve funds and with common expense funds as may be necessary for said reconstruction. Provided, however, this provision shall not apply in the event the said condominium building itself is destroyed and the owners of units therein shall duly resolve not to rebuild or restore said buildings as provided in Section 3, Paragraph (b) hereinabove.
- Section 4. Use of Condominium Units-Internal Changes. An owner shall not make structural modifications or alterations in his unit or installations located therein unless he has previously notified the Condominium in writing through the President of the Board of Directors and received no objection thereto. The Condominium shall have the obligation to answer within thirty (30) days, and failure to do so within that time shall mean that there is no objection to the proposed modification or alteration.

operation of the premises, products liability, liability attributable to work or other act of an independent contractor, or let or sub-let work, landlord-tenant liability, and contractual liability. Further, the insurance shall cover the liability of one or more co-owners, though also parties insured. Such public liability insurances shall be in the limits of at least \$100,000.00 for injuries or damages sustained by any one person, \$300,000.00 for injuries or damages sustained by two or more persons, \$300,000.00 for injuries or damages sustained by two or more persons in any one accident, and \$10,000.00 for property damage. The public liability insurance policy shall be so endorsed as to protect the insured against liability imposed or assumed by any contract.

(d) In all events, each policy of insurance procured under this Section 1 of Article VI shall contain a waiver of the insurer's subrogation rights against each co-owner, and a waiver of any defense maintainable by the insurer by reason of any co-insurance provision of any policy or by reason of any act or neglect of any co-owner, whether before or after the loss, damage or destruction may occur. Further, each policy of insurance shall provide that any co-owner in his own right may procure other insurance, fire casualty, liability or otherwise, and that such other insurance shall in no wise serve to reduce, abate diminish or cause any proration in payment of the total loss by the insurer. Each policy of insurance procured under Paragraphs (a) or (b) of this Section If hall state that the exclusive right and authority to adjust losses under the policy shall be vested in the Board of Directors.

Nothing provided in this Article VI shall prejudice the right of any co-owner to insure his Condominium Unit on his account and for his own benefit, or to insure himself against liability to others. If the co-owners, however, shall procure fire or other casualty insurance covering his Condominium Unit or his interest in the Condominium Project, he shall file with the Board of Directors a duplicate of the insurance policy.

Section 2. Repairs and Replacement. Unless more than two-thirds (2/3rds) of the buildings are destroyed, the proceeds of any insurance policy procured under the provisions of paragraph (a) of Section 1 of this Article VI shall be applied to repair, restore and reconstruct the common elements destroyed by the casualty insured against and thereafter, if there be any surplus, to repair or restore the Condominium Units damaged by said casualty. If the proceeds of insurance are insufficient to cover the cost of any necessary repair, replacement or restoration of the common elements, such excess cost shall be paid by the co-owners as a common expense, upon special assessment therefor and levy thereof by the Board of Directors against each co-owner in accordance with his percentage interest factor.

Section 3. Disbursement of Insurance Proceeds. If more than two-thirds (2/3rds) of the buildings are destroyed, then the disbursement of the proceeds of all insurance policies shall be paid in accordance with and governed by the provisions of Section 3 of Article V, supra.

Section 4. Application for Insurance. Each owner shall furnish such information and sign such application forms or other documents, if any, as may be required to obtain insurance as provided in this Article VI.

Section 2. Annual Reports. There shall be prepared annually a full and correct statement of the affairs of the Condominium, including a balance sheet and a financial statement of operations for the proceeding fiscal year, which shall be audited by an independent public accountary and submitted at the annual meeting of the owners and filed within twenty.

(20) days thereafter at the principal office of the Condominium

Section 3. Fiscal Year. The fiscal year of the Condominium shall be the calendar year, unless otherwise provided by the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE VIII

AMENDMENTS

Section 1. By-Laws. These By-Laws may be amended by the Condominium Association at any duly constituted meeting, provided the notice thereof shall specify the amendment to be voted on, and provided the same is approved by at least two-thirds (2/3rds) of the owners; subject, however, to the restrictions set forth in Article II, Section 1, of the By-Laws. All Unit Owners shall be bound by any amendment upon the same being duly passed and set forth in an Amended Declaration duly recorded in the Dare County Registry.

ARTICLE IX

MORTGAGES

Section 1. Notice to Association. An owner who mortgages his unit shall notify the President of the Board of Directors of the name and address of his mortgagee; and the Condominium shall maintain such information in a book entitled "Mortgagees of Units". Provided further, each condominium unit is subject to alienation, mortgage or transfer as is any other real property located within the State of North Carolina, however, no condominium unit owner may mortgage or convey by deed of trust his apartment or condominium unit or convey the same as collateral, to any person, firm or corporation except as said conveyance, mortgage or deed of trust shall be a first lien deed of trust or first mortgage or a purchase money mortgage or deed of trust on the condominium unit, unless prior approval is obtained from the Association.

Section II. Informal Action by Owners. Any action required or permitted to be taken at any meeting of owners may be taken without a meeting, if a consent in writing, setting forth such action, is signed by all the owners entitled to vote on the subject matter thereof, provided said consent is filed with the records of the Condominium.

ARTICLE III

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Section 1. Powers. The business and affairs of the Condominium sh be managed by its Board of Directors. The Board of Directors may exerc all powers of the Condominium Association except such as are by statute the Declaration or the By-Laws conferred upon or reserved to the owner In particular, but not by way of limitation, the Board of Directors shall be responsible for, and have all necessary powers in connection with, the care, upkeep, and surveillance of the building and other facilities of the Condominium, including its general and limited common elements, services, and Association owned property, designation, hiring and dismissal of the personnel necessary for the good working order of the buildings and to provide services for the buildings. The Board of Directors may delegate any of such responsibilities, or all and the expenses therefore shall be a common expense. The Board of Directors, or any officer or officers to whom such power may be delegated, shall have power to take any action necessary or appropriate to enforce payment of all sums, including assessments against others, due the Condominium, including the power to enforce any lien for the same. Such Board shall not undertake to provide luxury services, such as maid services, common telephone switchboard service and the like, to the condominium units without the unanimous vote of all owners. As an additional power and requirement, in the event a sewerage treatment facility is constructed, the Board of Directors shall employ or subcontract to a person, firm or appropriate governmental authority, the operation, upkeep and maintenance of such facility.

Section 2. Number of Directors. The number of directors of the Condominium shall be three, until such number be changed as herein provided. By vote of a majority of the entire Board of Directors, the number of directors may be increased or decresed, from time to time, to not exceed seven nor less than three directors, but the tenure of office of a director shall not be affected by any decrease in the number of directors so made by the Board.

Section 3. Election of Directors. Until the first annual meeting of owners or until successors are duly elected and qualified the Board shall consist of Robert Gaither, Don Taylor and E. Paul Breaux. At the first annual meeting of owners after control of the Association is delivered to the Unit Owners the owners shall elect directors, one-third to serve for one year, one-third to serve for two years, and one-third to serve for three years. Thereafter directors shall be elected for three year terms or until their successors are elected and qualify (or for a shorter term to fill a vacancy arising for an uncompleted term), one-third of the directors being elected at each annual meeting to succeed the directors whose terms are expiring. At any meeting of owners, duly called and at which a quorum is present, the owners may, by the affirmative vote of the holders of a majority of the votes entitled to be cast thereon, remove any director or directors from office and may elect a successor or successors to fill any resulting presents for the interval and the successor or successors.