prior to such sale or transfer. No sale or transfer shall relieve such lot from liability for any assessments thereafter becoming due or from the lien thereof.

Section 10. Exempt Property. Any portion of the Property dedicated to, and accepted by, a local public authority and all properties owned by a charitable or non-profit organization exempt from taxation by the laws of the State of South Carolina shall be exempt from the assessments created herein, except no land or improvements devoted to dwelling use shall be exempt from said assessments.

## ARTICLE VII.

## **EXTERIOR MAINTENANCE**

In addition to maintenance of the common area, the Association shall provide exterior maintenance upon each lot which is subject to assessment hereunder, as follows: Stain and/or paint the exterior of townhouse, repair, replace and care for roofs, gutters, downspouts, exterior building surfaces, trees, shrubs, grass, walks, and other such exterior improvements. Such exterior maintenance shall not include glass surfaces, or doors. In order to enable the Association to accomplish the foregoing, there is hereby reserved to the Association the right to unobstructed access over and upon each lot at reasonable times to perform maintenance as provided in this Article.

Any owner who fences or encloses any portion of his lot (which fence or enclosure shall require the prior approval of the Association) may plant trees, shrubs, flowers, and grass in the fenced or enclosed portion as he elects and shall maintain the fenced or enclosed portion at his own expense, provided that such maintenance does not hinder the Association in performing its maintenance duties as to the townhouse, the remaining yard spaces, or the limited common area. No such maintenance by an owner shall reduce the assessment payable by him to the Association. If, in the opinion of the Association, any such owner fails to maintain his yard in a neat and orderly manner, the Association may revoke the owner's maintenance rights for a period not to exceed one year and the Association shall perform maintenance during the revocation period. The owner shall not plant any vegetation in front of his townhouse except with the prior written approval of the Association.

The Association shall maintain and repair the following: mail boxes, decks, railings, and utility rooms.

The Owner shall maintain and repair the following: door frames, window frames, all exterior lighting and electrical outlets, and hose bibs.

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