

**ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF  
BRIDGEPORT HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC.**

The undersigned, for the purpose of incorporating and organizing a corporation under the Nebraska Nonprofit Corporation Act (the "Act"), does hereby certify and adopt the following Articles of Incorporation:

**ARTICLE I**

**Name**

The name of the corporation is Bridgeport Homeowners Association, Inc. (the "Association").

**ARTICLE II**

**Mutual Benefit Corporation**

This Association is a mutual benefit corporation.

**ARTICLE III**

**Principal Office**

The principal office of the Association is located at 3803 N. 153<sup>rd</sup> Street, Ste. 201, Omaha, Nebraska, 68116.

**ARTICLE IV**

**Registered Agent**

The name and address of the Association's registered agent in Nebraska is Larry A. Jobeun, 11440 West Center Road, Suite C, Omaha, Nebraska, 68144.

**ARTICLE V**

**Purpose and Powers**

This Association does not contemplate pecuniary gain or profit either to it or to the members thereof, and the specific purposes for which it is formed are to provide for the maintenance, preservation and architectural control of the Improvements (as defined in the Declaration (defined below) and Common Areas (as defined in the Declaration) within the Bridgeport Subdivision, which may be amended from time to time to include multiple phases of the development and additional lots and outlots; and to operate and promote the development as a first class commercial office and retail center and any additions thereto as may hereafter be brought within the jurisdiction of this Association, and for this purpose to:

- (a) Exercise all of the powers and privileges and to perform all of the duties and obligations of the Association as set forth in the Declaration of Covenants, Conditions, Restrictions and Easements for Bridgeport, hereinafter called the "Declaration", applicable to the property and recorded in the Office of the

Register of Deeds of Douglas County, Nebraska, and as the same may be amended from time to time as therein provided, said Declaration being incorporated herein as if set forth at length; and

(b) Have and exercise any and all powers, rights and privileges which a corporation organized under the Act as amended from time to time.

#### ARTICLE VI MEMBERSHIP

The Association shall have the following classes of membership:

(a) **Class A.** Class A Members shall be all Owners (with the exception of the Declarant as provided in Section 3.03(b) or any Designated Builder as provided in Section 3.03(c), below). A Person shall automatically become a Class A Member upon becoming an Owner and shall remain a Class A Member for so long as he or she is an Owner; and

(b) **Class B.** The Class B Member shall be the Declarant prior to the time a Lot is sold to a Designated Builder or such other third party. The Class B Member shall be exempt from paying any and all assessments which may be levied against a Lot within the Property.

(c) **Class C.** The Class C Member(s) shall be any Designated Builder(s). The Class C membership shall cease and be converted to Class A membership for the new Owner of the Lot at the time a Lot and Dwelling Unit is sold to an Owner or be converted to a Class A membership in the name of the Designated Builder at any time a Improvement on a Lot owned by the Designated Builder is occupied. The Class C Members shall be exempt from paying any and all assessments which may be levied against a Lot within the Property.

#### ARTICLE VII VOTING RIGHTS

Every Owner of a Lot which is subject to assessment shall be a Member of the Association. Membership shall be appurtenant to and may not be separated from ownership of any Lot which is subject to assessment.

(a) Each Class A Member shall be entitled to one (1) vote on each matter submitted to the members for each Lot owned by such Class A Member which is not Exempt Property. If more than one Dwelling Unit is located on any Lot (which is not Exempt Property), the Class A Member owning such Lot shall be entitled to one (1) vote for each Dwelling Unit located on such Lot. Any Class A Member who is in violation of this Declaration, as determined by the Board of Directors in accordance with the provisions hereof and regulations established hereunder, shall not be entitled to vote during any period in which such violation continues. If a Lot shall be owned by more than one Owner, such Owners shall be deemed to constitute a single Class A Member as to such Lot and shall collectively be entitled to a single vote for such Lot (or for each Dwelling Unit located on such Lot) as to each matter properly submitted to the Members.

(b) The Class B Member shall be entitled initially to ten (10) votes for each Lot owned. The Class B membership shall terminate and become converted to either a Class C membership upon the sale of the last Lot to (i) any Designated Builder, or (ii) to any third-party purchaser that becomes a Class A member, or (iii) such earlier time as Declarant in its sole discretion determines.

(c) The Class C Member shall be entitled initially to four (4) votes for each Lot owned.

(d) Any vote of the Members shall be taken without regard to class of membership except in those instances requiring the affirmative vote or approval of each class of membership in accordance with this Declaration and the Articles of Incorporation or Bylaws of the Association.

ARTICLE VIII  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The affairs of this Association shall be managed by a Board of Directors, the number of which shall be not less than three (3) nor more than five (5), the exact number within such range to be determined by the Board of Directors. The names and addresses of the Board of Directors and Incorporators who are to act in the capacity of Directors until the selection of their successors are:

Gene Graves  
Incorporator  
15302 Weber Street  
Bennington, NE 68007

Susan K. Mortensen  
Incorporator  
*15405 Nottingham Dr*  
Omaha, NE 68118

Mary Elizabeth Graves  
Incorporator  
15302 Weber Street  
Bennington, NE 68007

ARTICLE IX  
DISSOLUTION

The Association may be dissolved with the assent given in writing and signed by not less than seventy-five percent (75%) of the membership in the Association. Upon dissolution of the Association, other than incident to a merger or consolidation, the assets of the Association shall be distributed to the members of the Association.

ARTICLE X  
DURATION

The corporation shall exist perpetually.

ARTICLE XI  
AMENDMENTS

Amendment of these Articles shall require the assent of seventy-five percent (75%) of the membership in the Association, in accordance with Article XII of the Declaration.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned, being duly authorized under the laws of the State of Nebraska, has executed these Articles of Incorporation of Bridgeport Homeowners Association, Inc., this 30th day of July, 2018.

INCORPORATORS AND INITIAL DIRECTORS:

By: Eugene J. Graves Jr  
Printed Name: Eugene J. Graves Jr.

By: Susan K. Mortensen  
Printed Name: Susan K. Mortensen

By: Mary E. Graves  
Printed Name: Mary Elizabeth Graves

**BY-LAWS OF BRIDGEPORT  
HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC.**

**ARTICLE I  
Name and Location**

The name of the corporation is Bridgeport Homeowners Association, Inc., hereinafter referred to as the "Association." The principal office of the corporation shall be located at 3803 N. 153<sup>rd</sup> Street, Ste. 201, Omaha, Nebraska, 68116, but meetings of Members and directors may be held at such places within the State of Nebraska, as may be designated by the Board of Directors.

**ARTICLE II  
Definitions**

Section 1. "Association" shall mean and refer to Bridgeport Homeowners Association, Inc., its successors and assigns.

Section 2. "Properties" shall mean and refer to that certain real property defined and described in the Declaration of Covenants, Conditions and Restrictions of Lots 1 through 158, inclusive, and Outlots "A" through "M", all in Bridgeport, a Subdivision in Sarpy County, Nebraska, and such additions thereto as may hereafter be brought within the jurisdiction of the Association.

Section 3. "Common Area" shall mean all real property owned by or controlled by easement in favor of the Association for the common use and enjoyment of the Owners.

Section 4. "Lot" shall mean and refer to any plot of land shown upon any recorded subdivision map of the Properties.

Section 5. "Owner" shall mean and refer to the record owner, whether one or more persons or entities, of the fee simple title to any Lot which is a part of the Properties, including contract sellers, but excluding those having such interest merely as security for the performance of an obligation.

Section 6. "Declaration" shall mean and refer to the Declaration of Covenants, Conditions and Restrictions of Lots 1 through 158, inclusive, and Outlots "A" through "M", all in Bridgeport, a Subdivision in Sarpy County, Nebraska applicable to the Properties recorded in the Office of the Register of Deeds in Sarpy County, Nebraska.

Section 7. "Member" shall mean and refer to those persons entitled to membership as provided in the Declaration.

**ARTICLE III  
Meeting of Members**

Section 1. Annual Meetings. The first annual meeting of the Members shall be held within one year from the date of incorporation of the Association, and each subsequent regular annual meeting of the Members shall be held on the same day of the same month of each year thereafter, at the hour of 7:00 o'clock, p.m. or at such other time, date and place as the Board of Directors may designate. If the day for the annual meeting of Members is a legal holiday, the meeting will be held

at the same hour on the first day following which is not a legal holiday.

Section 2. Special Meetings. Special meetings of the Members may be called at any time by the president or by the Board of Directors, or upon written request of the Members who are entitled to vote of fifty-one (51%) percent of all of the votes of the membership.

Section 3. Notice of Meetings. Written notice of each meeting of the Members shall be given by, or at the direction of, the secretary or person authorized to call the meeting, by mailing a copy of such notice, postage prepaid, at least 15 days but not more than 30 days before such meeting to each Member entitled to vote thereat, addressed to the Member's address last appearing on the books of the Association, or supplied by such Member to the Association for the purpose of notice. Such notice shall specify the place, day and hour of the meeting, and, in the case of a special meeting, the purpose of the meeting.

Section 4. Quorum. The presence at the meeting of Members entitled to cast, or of proxies entitled to cast, one-tenth (1/10th) of the votes of the entire membership shall constitute a quorum for any action except as otherwise provided in the Articles of Incorporation, the Declaration or these By-Laws. If, however, such quorum shall not be present or represented at any meeting, the Members entitled to vote thereat shall have power to adjourn the meeting from time to time, without notice other than announcement at the meeting, until a quorum as aforesaid shall be present or be represented.

Section 5. Proxies. At all meetings of Members, each Member may vote in person or by proxy. All proxies shall be in writing and filed with the secretary. Every proxy shall be revocable and shall automatically cease upon conveyance by the Member of his Lot.

#### ARTICLE IV

##### **Board of Directors: Selection: Term of Office**

Section 1. Number. The affairs of this Association shall be managed by a Board of Directors of at least three, but no more than five directors, all of whom must be a Member of the Association. In order to stand for election as a director, such Member must be in good standing and must not be in default in the payment of any dues, assessments and/or fines imposed by the Association.

Section 2. Term of Office. At the first meeting of the Members, the Members shall elect one director for a term of one year, one director for a term of two years and one director for a term of three years. After the initial term of each such director, all directors shall thereafter be elected for three year terms. In the event that there are more than three directors, each additional director shall be elected for three year terms. Each director shall serve for the term set forth hereinabove and until his or her successor is duly elected and qualified, or until removed from office as provided herein.

Section 3. Removal. Any director may be removed from the Board, with or without cause, by a majority vote of the Members of the Association. In the event of death, resignation or removal of a director, his successor shall be selected by remaining Members of the Board and shall serve for the unexpired term of his predecessor.

Section 4. Compensation. No director shall receive compensation for any service he may render to the Association. However, any director may be reimbursed for his actual expenses incurred in the performance of his duties.

Section 5. Action Taken Without a Meeting. The directors shall have the right to take any action in the absence of a meeting which they could take at a meeting by obtaining the written approval of all the directors. Any action so approved shall have the same effect as though taken at a meeting of the directors.

**ARTICLE V**  
**Nomination and Election of Directors**

Section 1. Nomination. Nomination for election to the Board of Directors may be made by a Nominating Committee. Nominations may also be made from the floor at the annual meeting. The Nominating Committee shall consist of a Chairman, who shall be a Member of the Board of Directors, and two or more Members of the Association. The Nominating Committee shall be appointed by the Board of Directors prior to each annual meeting of the members, to serve from the close of such annual meeting until the close of the next annual meeting and such appointment shall be announced at each annual meeting. The Nominating Committee shall make as many nominations for election to the Board of Directors as it shall in its discretion determine, but not less than the number of vacancies that are to be filled.

Section 2. Election. Election to the Board of Directors shall be by secret written ballot. At such election the Members or their proxies may cast, in respect to each vacancy, as many votes as they are entitled to exercise under the provisions of the Declaration. The persons receiving the largest number of votes shall be elected. Cumulative voting is not permitted.

**ARTICLE VI**  
**Meetings of Directors**

Section 1. Regular Meetings. Regular meetings of the Board of Directors may be held without notice at such date, place and hour as may be fixed from time to time by resolution of the Board.

Section 2. Special Meetings. Special meetings of the Board of Directors shall be held when called by the president of the Association, or by any two directors, after not less than three (3) days notice to each director.

Section 3. Quorum. A majority of the number of directors shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. Every act or decision done or made by a majority of the directors present at a duly held meeting at which a quorum is present shall be regarded as the act of the Board.

**ARTICLE VII**  
**Powers and Duties of the Board of Directors**

Section 1. Powers. The Board of Directors shall have power to:

- a. adopt and publish rules and regulations governing the use of the Common Area and facilities, and the personal conduct of the Members and their guests thereon, and to establish penalties for the infraction thereof;
- b. suspend the voting rights of a Member during any period in which such Member shall be in default in the payment of any assessment levied by the Association. Such rights

may also be suspended after notice and hearing, for a period not to exceed 60 days for infraction of published rules and regulations;

c. exercise for the Association all powers, duties and authority vested in or delegated to this Association and not reserved to the membership by other provisions of these By-Laws, the Articles of Incorporation, or the Declaration;

c. declare the office of a member of the Board of Directors to be vacant in the event such member shall be absent from three (3) consecutive regular meetings of the Board of Directors; and

d. employ a management company, manager, an independent contractor, or such other employees as they deem necessary, and to prescribe their duties.

Section 2. Duties. It shall be the duty of the Board of Directors to:

a. cause to be kept a complete record of all its acts and corporate affairs and to present a statement thereof to the Members at the annual meeting of the Members, or at any special meeting when such statement is requested in writing by fifty-one (51%) percent of the Members who are entitled to vote;

b. supervise all officers, agents and employees of this Association, and to see that their duties are properly performed;

c. as more fully provided in the Declaration, to:

1. fix the amount of the annual assessment against each Lot at least thirty (30) days in advance of each annual assessment period;

2. send written notice of each assessment, to every Owner subject thereto at least thirty (30) days in advance of each annual assessment period;

3. foreclose the lien against any property for which assessments are not paid within thirty (30) days after due date or to bring an action at law against the owner personally obligated to pay the same;

d. issue, or to cause an appropriate officer to issue, upon demand by any person, a certificate setting forth whether or not any assessment has been paid. A reasonable charge may be made by the Board for the issuance of these certificates. If a certificate states an assessment has been paid, such certificate shall be conclusive evidence of such payment;

e. cause all officers or employees having fiscal responsibilities to be bonded, as it may deem appropriate; and

f. as more fully provided in the Declaration, to:

1. cause any Lot or the exterior of any dwelling on any Lot to be maintained;

2. cause the Common Area to be improved and maintained; and



3. provide such other services or maintenance as may be deemed appropriate by the Board or by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the Association.

**ARTICLE VIII**  
**Officers and Their Duties**

Section 1. Enumeration of Offices. The officers of this Association shall be a president and vice-president, who shall at all times be Members of the Board of Directors, a secretary, and a treasurer, and such other officers as the Board may from time to time by resolution create.

Section 2. Election of Officers. The election of officers shall take place at the first meeting of the Board of Directors following each annual meeting of the members.

Section 3. Term. The officers of this Association shall be elected annually by the Board and each shall hold office for one (1) year unless he/she shall sooner resign, or shall be removed, or otherwise disqualified to serve.

Section 4. Special Appointments. The Board may select such other officers as the affairs of the Association may require, each of whom shall hold office for such period, have such authority, and perform such duties as the Board may, from time to time, determine.

Section 5. Resignation and Removal. Any officer may be removed from office with or without cause by the Board. Any officer may resign at any time giving written notice to the Board, the president or the secretary. Such resignation shall take effect on the date of receipt of such notice or at any later time specified therein, and unless otherwise specified therein, the acceptance of such resignation shall not be necessary to make it effective.

Section 6. Vacancies. A vacancy in any office may be filled by appointment by the Board. The officer appointed to such vacancy shall serve for the remainder of the term of the officer he/she replaces.

Section 7. Multiple Offices. The offices of secretary and treasurer may be held by the same person. No person shall simultaneously hold more than one of any of the other offices except in the case of special offices created pursuant to Section 4 of this Article.

Section 8. Duties. The duties of the officers are as follows:

**President**

a. The president shall preside at all meetings of the Board of Directors; shall see that orders and resolutions of the Board are carried out.

**Vice-President**

b. The vice-president shall act in the place and stead of the president in the event of his absence, inability or refusal to act, and shall exercise and discharge such other duties as may be required of him by the Board.

**Secretary**

c. The secretary shall record the votes and keep the minutes of all meetings and proceedings of the Board and of the members; keep the corporate seal of the Association and affix it

on all papers requiring said seal; serve notice of meetings of the Board and of the members; keep appropriate current records showing the Members of the Association together with their addresses; and shall perform such other duties as required by the Board.

**Treasurer**

d. The treasurer shall receive and deposit in appropriate bank accounts all monies of the Association and shall disburse such funds as directed by resolution of the Board of Directors; shall sign all checks and promissory notes of the Association; keep proper books of account; and shall prepare an annual budget and a statement of income and expenditures to be presented to the membership at its regular annual meeting, and deliver a copy of each to the members.

**ARTICLE IX**  
**Committees**

The Association shall appoint a Nominating Committee, as provided in these By-Laws. In addition, the Board of Directors shall appoint other committees as deemed appropriate in carrying out its purpose, including an architectural review committee to take over the approval rights of the declarant under the Declaration after such declarant rights are appropriately assigned to the Association.

**ARTICLE X**  
**Books and Records**

The books, records and papers of the Association shall at all times, during reasonable business hours, be subject to inspection by any member. The Declaration, the Articles of Incorporation and the By-Laws of the Association shall be available for inspection by any Member at the principal office of the Association, where copies may be purchased at a reasonable cost.

**ARTICLE XI**  
**Assessments**

As more fully provided in the Declaration, each Member is obligated to pay to the Association annual and special assessments which are secured by a continuing lien on the Lot against which the assessment is made. Any assessment which is not paid when due shall be deemed to be delinquent. If the assessment is not paid within thirty (30) days after the due date, the assessment shall bear interest from the date of delinquency at the maximum rate of interest allowable by law, and the Association may bring an action at law against the Owner personally obligated to pay the same or foreclose the lien against the property, and interest, costs, and reasonable attorney's fees of any such action shall be added to the amount of such assessment. No Owner may waive or otherwise escape liability for the assessments provided for herein by abandonment of his Lot.

**ARTICLE XII**  
**Amendment; Conflict**

Section 1. These By-Laws may be changed, modified or amended, at a regular or special meeting of the Members, by fifty-one (51%) percent of the votes entitled to be cast by the Members at a regular or special meeting called for that purpose.

Section 2. In the case of any conflict between the Articles of Incorporation and these By-

Laws, the Articles shall control; and in the case of any conflict between the Declaration and these By-Laws, the Declaration shall control.

**ARTICLE XIV**  
**Miscellaneous**

The fiscal year of the Association shall begin on the first day of January and end on the 31<sup>st</sup> day of December of every year, except that the first fiscal year shall begin on the date of incorporation.

**BRIDGEPORT HOMEOWNERS**  
**ASSOCIATION, INC.,** a Nebraska non-profit corporation,

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Its: \_\_\_\_\_