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The indemnification provided hereunder shall inure to the benefit of the heirs, executors and administrators of persons entitled to indemnification hereunder. The right of indemnification under this Article shall be in addition to and not exclusive of all other rights to which any person may be entitled.

No amendment or repeal of the provisions of this Article which adversely affects the right of an indemnified person under this Article shall apply to such person with respect to those acts or omissions which occurred at any time prior to such amendment or repeal, unless such amendment or repeal was voted by or was made with the written consent of such indemnified person.

This Article constitutes a contract between the corporation and the indemnified officers, directors, and employees. No amendment or repeal of the provisions of this Article which adversely affects the right of an indemnified officer, director, or employee under this Article shall apply to such officer, director, or employee with respect to those acts or omissions which occurred at any time prior to such amendment or repeal.

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President

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**ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**

STATE OF ARKANSAS  
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BE IT REMEMBERED that on this day came before the undersigned, a Notary Public within and for the County aforesaid, duly commissioned and acting, \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_, to me well known and stated that they had executed the same for the consideration and purposes and in the capacity herein mentioned and set forth.

**WITNESS** my had and seal on this \_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2024.

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~~The dues, which shall become payable upon the first of October following the transfer of a lot shall be due and payable at the closing of said lot. If the purchaser at closing is buying a vacant lot, said purchaser has the option of paying the \$550.00 homeowner's dues at closing, or paying the lot owner's dues at closing and delaying the \$550.00 payment until the October following their moving into the home.~~ ***The current rate of Annual Dues should be available on the CVNA website, on record at most local title companies, and/or by contacting the CVNA President, Vice President or Treasurer.***

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*Bylaw Amendment Membership Vote:*

*Total Votes: 128*

*Required Quorum: YES*

*June 10, 2024 Minutes*

*Amendment to Article III Section I: Passed with 67% voting YES*

*Amendment to Article III Section IV: Passed with 84% voting YES*

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*CVNA BOD Officer*