

Ch. 10 CONTRACTS

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TIMELINE CHECKLIST

Buyer: Click or tap here to enter text.	Calendar days		
Seller: Click or tap here to enter text. File: Click or tap here to enter text.	Contract Line		Date
Address: Click or tap here to enter text.	FR/Bar	AS IS	
1. Effective Date	48	48	_____
Financials			
2. Earnest money deposit due (buyer)	30	30	_____
3. Additional deposit due (buyer)	36	36	_____
4. Financing Application submitted by (buyer)	98	97	_____
5. Loan Approval	90	89	_____
6. Buyer notice of loan approval to seller	113	112	_____
7. Buyer notice of inability to obtain financing to seller	118	116	_____
8. Seller to terminate contract for lack of loan approval	124	123	_____
Closing			
9. Closing date	53	53	_____
a. CFPB extension (up to 7 days)	59	59	_____
b. Force majeure extension	541	448	_____
Title & Survey			
10. Extend closing date to close our building permits	363	N/A	_____
11. Buyer to examine title & provide notice to seller of defect	477	384	_____
12. Seller to cure title defects & Buyer's written notice to extend cure period – extend closing date	480	387	_____
13. Seller to deliver owner's title policy to buyer	176	160	_____
14. Title evidence deadline (title commitment)	171	155	_____
15. Sellers to deliver their survey to buyer	199	183	_____
16. Buyer to obtain survey	197	181	_____
17. Buyer to examine survey & provide notice to seller	497	404	_____
Inspections & Repairs			
18. Inspection period (completion and notice to seller)	277	261	_____
19. Property repairs:			
a. Seller to obtain & deliver estimate or second insp. to buyer	309	N/A	_____
b. If cost to repair exceeds limit, written notice to seller	318	N/A	_____
20. WDO cure:			
a. Seller to obtain & deliver estimate or second insp. to buyer	335	N/A	_____
b. If cost to repair exceeds limit, written notice to seller	339	N/A	_____

Note: This form is intended as a work aid and basic guidance and not a substitute for legal analysis of a specific transaction.

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	FR/Bar	AS IS	Date
21. Inspection and close-out of building permits			_____
a. Seller to obtain & deliver estimate to buyer	355	N/A	_____
b. If cost to close is less than limit:			_____
i. Seller to obtain & close building permits	357	N/A	_____
ii. Seller to deliver evidence to buyer of closed permits	359	N/A	_____
c. If cost to close permits exceeds limit:			_____
i. Seller's written notice to pay excess	367	N/A	_____
ii. Buyer's written notice to accept "as is"	369	N/A	_____
22. Walk through inspection	373	275	_____
Tenants & Leases			
23. Furnish written terms of leases to buyer	77	76	_____
24. Furnish notice that leases are unacceptable to seller	79	78	_____
25. Seller to furnish estoppels to buyer	504	411	_____
26. Buyer to furnish written notice of termination due to material difference between representations and leases	511	418	_____
Disputes			
27. Buyer and seller to resolve themselves	445	352	_____
Other			
28. Special flood hazard rescission notice to seller	242	225	_____
29. Appraisal contingency – copy to seller			_____
a. Buyer's right to cancel, if house doesn't appraise			_____
30. Sale of buyer's property must close by			_____
a. Notice to terminate if buyer's property does not close			_____
b. Copy of buyer's contract to sell delivered to Seller			_____
31. Attorney approval			_____

Notes:

All timeframes are computed in calendar days (line 523 / 418)

Force Majeure extends ALL timeframes for actual period of Force Majeure preventing performance, up to 30 days (Line 541 / 448)

Keys are delivered at closing (Line 67 / 60)

Deed must be recorded upon COLLECTION of all Closing Funds (566 / 473)

See 573 / 480 for Escrow Provisions, if title insurance does not cover the "gap"

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Comprehensive Rider to the Residential Contract For Sale And Purchase

THIS FORM HAS BEEN APPROVED BY THE FLORIDA REALTORS AND THE FLORIDA BAR

If initialed by all parties, the clauses below will be incorporated into the Florida Realtors®/Florida Bar Residential Contract For Sale And Purchase between _____ (SELLER)
and _____ (BUYER)
concerning the Property described as _____

Buyer's Initials _____

Seller's Initials _____

A. CONDOMINIUM RIDER

1. ASSOCIATION APPROVAL:

The Association's approval of Buyer (**CHECK ONE**): ☐ is ☐ is not required. If approval is required, this Contract is contingent upon Buyer being approved by the Association no later than _____ (if left blank, then 5) days prior to Closing. Within _____ (if left blank, then 5) days after Effective Date Seller shall initiate the approval process with the Association and Buyer shall apply for such approval. Buyer and Seller shall sign and deliver any documents required by the Association in order to complete the transfer of the Property and each shall use diligent effort to obtain such approval, including making personal appearances if required. If Buyer is not approved within the stated time period, this Contract shall terminate and Buyer shall be refunded the Deposit, thereby releasing Buyer and Seller from all further obligations under this Contract.

2. RIGHT OF FIRST REFUSAL:

- (a) The Association (**CHECK ONE**): ☐ has ☐ does not have a right of first refusal ("Right"). If the Association has a Right, this Contract is contingent upon the Association, within the time permitted for the exercise of such Right, either providing written confirmation to Buyer that the Association is not exercising that Right, or failing to timely exercise such Right pursuant to the terms of the Declaration of Condominium ("Declaration", which reference includes all amendments thereto).
- (b) The members of the Association (**CHECK ONE**): ☐ have ☐ do not have a Right. If the members do have a Right, this Contract is contingent upon the members, within the time permitted for the exercise of such Right, either providing written confirmation to Buyer that the members are not exercising that Right, or failing to timely exercise such Right pursuant to the terms of the Declaration.
- (c) Buyer and Seller shall, within _____ (if left blank, then 5) days after Effective Date, sign and deliver any documents required as a condition precedent to the exercise of the Right, and shall use diligent effort to submit and process the matter with the Association and members, including personal appearances, if required.
- (d) If, within the stated time period, the Association, the members of the Association, or both, fail to provide the written confirmation or the Right has not otherwise expired, then this Contract shall terminate and the Deposit shall be refunded to the Buyer, thereby releasing Buyer and Seller from all further obligations under this Contract.
- (e) If the Association or a member timely exercises its or their Right, this Contract shall terminate and the Deposit shall be refunded to Buyer (unless this Contract provides otherwise), thereby releasing Buyer and Seller from all further obligations under this Contract, and Seller shall pay to Broker the full commission at Closing in recognition that Broker procured the sale.

3. FEES; ASSESSMENTS; PRORATIONS; LITIGATION:

- (a) Condominium Association assessment(s) and Rents: Seller represents that the current Association assessment(s) installments is/are

\$ _____ payable (**CHECK ONE**): ☐ monthly ☐ quarterly ☐ semi-annually ☐ annually

and if more than one Association assessment

\$ _____ payable (**CHECK ONE**): ☐ monthly ☐ quarterly ☐ semi-annually ☐ annually

and the current rent on recreation areas, if any, ☐

is \$ _____ payable (**CHECK ONE**): ☐ monthly ☐ quarterly ☐ semi-annually ☐ annually

A. CONDOMINIUM RIDER (CONTINUED)

All annual assessments levied by the Association and rent on recreational areas, if any, shall be made current by Seller at Closing, and Buyer shall reimburse Seller for prepayments.

- (b) Fees: Seller shall, at Closing, pay all fines imposed against the Unit by the Condominium Association as of Closing Date and any fees the Association charges to provide information about the Property, assessment(s) and fees.

If Property is part of a Homeowners' Association, see Rider B. HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION/COMMUNITY DISCLOSURE for further information including additional assessments and fees.

- (c) Special Assessments and Prorations:

- (i) Seller represents that Seller is not aware of any special or other assessment that has been levied by the Association or that has been an item on the agenda, or reported in the minutes, of the Association within twelve (12) months prior to Effective Date, ("pending") except as follows: _____

- (ii) If special assessments levied or pending exist as of the Effective Date are disclosed above by Seller and may be paid in installments (**CHECK ONE**): ☐ Buyer ☐ Seller (if left blank, then Buyer) shall pay installments due after Closing Date. **If Seller is checked, Seller shall pay the assessment in full prior to or at the time of Closing.**

- (iii) If special assessments levied or pending exist as of the Effective Date and have not been disclosed above by Seller, then Seller shall pay such assessments in full at the time of Closing.

- (iv) If, after Effective Date, the Association imposes a special assessment for improvements, work or services, (v)which was not pending as of the Effective Date, then Seller shall pay all amounts due before Closing Date and Buyer shall pay all amounts due after Closing Date.

- (vi) A special assessment shall be deemed levied for purposes of this paragraph on the date when the assessment has been approved as required for enforcement pursuant to Florida law and the condominium documents listed in Paragraph 5.

- (vii) Association assets and liabilities, including Association reserve accounts, shall not be prorated.

- (d) Litigation: Seller represents that Seller is not aware of pending or anticipated litigation affecting the Property or the common elements, if any, except as follows: _____

4. SPRINKLER SYSTEM RETROFIT:

If, pursuant to Sections 718.112(2)(n), F.S., the Association has voted to forego retrofitting its fire sprinkler system or handrails and guardrails for the condominium units, then prior to Closing Seller shall furnish to Buyer the written notice of Association's vote to forego such retrofitting.

5. NON-DEVELOPER DISCLOSURE: (CHECK ONE):

☐ (a) **THE BUYER HEREBY ACKNOWLEDGES THAT BUYER HAS BEEN PROVIDED A CURRENT COPY OF THE DECLARATION OF CONDOMINIUM, ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF THE ASSOCIATION, BYLAWS AND RULES OF THE ASSOCIATION, A COPY OF THE MOST RECENT ANNUAL FINANCIAL STATEMENT AND ANNUAL BUDGET AND FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS DOCUMENT MORE THAN 3 DAYS, EXCLUDING SATURDAYS, SUNDAYS, AND LEGAL HOLIDAYS, PRIOR TO EXECUTION OF THIS CONTRACT.**

☐ (b) **THIS AGREEMENT IS VOIDABLE BY BUYER BY DELIVERING WRITTEN NOTICE OF THE BUYER'S INTENTION TO CANCEL WITHIN 3 DAYS, EXCLUDING SATURDAYS, SUNDAYS, AND LEGAL HOLIDAYS, AFTER THE DATE OF EXECUTION OF THIS AGREEMENT BY THE BUYER AND RECEIPT BY BUYER OF A CURRENT COPY OF THE DECLARATION OF CONDOMINIUM, ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION, BYLAWS AND RULES OF THE ASSOCIATION, A COPY OF THE MOST RECENT ANNUAL FINANCIAL STATEMENT AND ANNUAL BUDGET, AND FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS DOCUMENT IF SO REQUESTED IN WRITING. ANY PURPORTED WAIVER OF THESE VOIDABILITY RIGHTS SHALL BE OF NO EFFECT. BUYER MAY EXTEND THE TIME FOR CLOSING FOR A PERIOD OF NOT MORE THAN 3 DAYS, EXCLUDING SATURDAYS, SUNDAYS, AND**

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LEGAL HOLIDAYS, AFTER THE BUYER RECEIVES THE DECLARATION, ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION, BYLAWS AND RULES OF THE ASSOCIATION, AND A COPY OF THE MOST RECENT ANNUAL FINANCIAL STATEMENT AND ANNUAL BUDGET, AND FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS DOCUMENT IF REQUESTED IN WRITING. BUYER'S RIGHT TO VOID THIS AGREEMENT SHALL TERMINATE AT CLOSING.

6. BUYER'S REQUEST FOR DOCUMENTS:

Seller shall, at Seller's expense, provide Buyer with current copies of the condominium documents specified in Paragraph 5 above, as well as the governance form described in Section 718.503(2)(b). Buyer (**CHECK ONE**): ☐ requests ☐ does not request (if left blank, then "requests") a current copy of the documents specified in Paragraph 5 above along with the governance form. If this Contract does not close, Buyer shall immediately return the documents to Seller or reimburse Seller for the cost of the documents, if any.

7. BUYER'S RECEIPT OF DOCUMENTS:

(**COMPLETE AND CHECK ONLY IF CORRECT**) ☐ Buyer received the documents described in Paragraph 5, above, on _____.

8. COMMON ELEMENTS; PARKING:

The Property includes the unit being purchased and an undivided interest in the common elements and appurtenant limited common elements of the condominium, as specified in the Declaration. Seller's right and interest in or to the use of the following parking space(s), garage, and other areas are included in the sale of the Property and shall be assigned to Buyer at Closing, subject to the Declaration:

Parking Space(s) # _____ Garage # _____ Other: _____

9. INSPECTIONS AND REPAIRS:

The rights and obligations arising under Paragraphs 11 and 12 of this Contract to maintain, repair, replace or treat are limited to Seller's individual condominium unit and unless Seller is otherwise responsible do not extend to common elements, limited common elements, or any other part of the condominium property.

10. MILESTONE INSPECTION REPORT; STRUCTURAL INTEGRITY RESERVE STUDY; TURNOVER INSPECTION REPORTS:

(a) MILESTONE INSPECTION: The Association (check only one option):

☐ (i) is required to and has completed a milestone inspection report as described in Section 553.899, F.S. (SEE PARAGRAPH 10(d) BELOW FOR VOIDABILITY RIGHTS); or

☐ (ii) **IS NOT REQUIRED TO HAVE COMPLETED A MILESTONE INSPECTION REPORT AS DESCRIBED IN SECTION 553.899, F.S.;** or

☐ (iii) **IS REQUIRED TO HAVE COMPLETED A MILESTONE INSPECTION REPORT AS DESCRIBED IN SECTION 553.899, F.S. BUT HAS NOT COMPLETED SUCH INSPECTION.**

(b) TURNOVER INSPECTION REPORT: The Association (check only one option):

☐ (i) is required to and has completed a turnover inspection report for a turnover inspection performed on or after July 1, 2023, as described in Section 718.301(4)(p) and (q), F.S. (SEE PARAGRAPH 10(d) BELOW FOR VOIDABILITY RIGHTS); or

☐ (ii) **IS NOT REQUIRED TO HAVE COMPLETED A TURNOVER INSPECTION REPORT FOR A TURNOVER INSPECTION PERFORMED ON OR AFTER JULY 1, 2023, AS DESCRIBED IN SECTION 718.301(4)(p) AND (q), F.S.** (this option should be selected if the Association was turned over prior to July 1, 2023); or

☐ (iii) **IS REQUIRED TO HAVE COMPLETED A TURNOVER INSPECTION REPORT FOR A TURNOVER INSPECTION PERFORMED ON OR AFTER JULY 1, 2023, AS DESCRIBED IN SECTION 718.301(4)(p) AND (q), F.S. BUT HAS NOT COMPLETED SUCH REPORT.**

(c) STRUCTURAL INTEGRITY RESERVE STUDY: The Association (check only one option):

☐ (i) is required to and has completed a structural integrity reserve study as described in Sections 718.103(26) and 718.112(2)(g), F.S. (SEE PARAGRAPH 10(d) BELOW FOR VOIDABILITY RIGHTS); or

☐ (ii) **IS NOT REQUIRED TO HAVE COMPLETED A STRUCTURAL INTEGRITY RESERVE STUDY AS DESCRIBED IN SECTIONS 718.103(28) AND 718.112(2)(g), F.S.;** or

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☐ (iii) IS REQUIRED TO HAVE COMPLETED A STRUCTURAL INTEGRITY RESERVE STUDY AS DESCRIBED IN SECTIONS 718.103(28) AND 718.112(2)(g), F.S. BUT HAS NOT COMPLETED SUCH STUDY.

- (d) **CHECK ONLY ONE BOX BELOW IF** the Association has completed a milestone inspection (Paragraph 10(a)(i), above, is checked), or a turnover inspection report (Paragraph 10(b)(i), above, is checked), or a structural integrity reserve study (Paragraph 10(c)(i), above, is checked):

☐ (i) THE BUYER HEREBY ACKNOWLEDGES THAT BUYER HAS BEEN PROVIDED A CURRENT COPY OF THE INSPECTOR-PREPARED SUMMARY OF THE MILESTONE INSPECTION REPORT AS DESCRIBED IN SECTION 553.899, FLORIDA STATUTES, IF APPLICABLE; A COPY OF THE TURNOVER INSPECTION REPORT DESCRIBED IN SECTION 718.301(4)(p) AND (q), FLORIDA STATUTES, IF APPLICABLE; AND A COPY OF THE ASSOCIATION'S MOST RECENT STRUCTURAL INTEGRITY RESERVE STUDY DESCRIBED IN SECTIONS 718.103(28) AND 718.112(2)(g), FLORIDA STATUTES, IF APPLICABLE, MORE THAN 3 DAYS, EXCLUDING SATURDAYS, SUNDAYS, AND LEGAL HOLIDAYS, PRIOR TO EXECUTION OF THIS CONTRACT.

☐ (ii) THIS AGREEMENT IS VOIDABLE BY BUYER BY DELIVERING WRITTEN NOTICE OF THE BUYER'S INTENTION TO CANCEL WITHIN 3 DAYS, EXCLUDING SATURDAYS, SUNDAYS, AND LEGAL HOLIDAYS, AFTER THE DATE OF EXECUTION OF THIS AGREEMENT BY THE BUYER AND RECEIPT BY BUYER OF A CURRENT COPY OF THE INSPECTOR-PREPARED SUMMARY OF THE MILESTONE INSPECTION REPORT AS DESCRIBED IN SECTION 553.899, FLORIDA STATUTES, IF APPLICABLE; A COPY OF THE TURNOVER INSPECTION REPORT DESCRIBED IN SECTION 718.301(4)(p) AND (q), FLORIDA STATUTES, IF APPLICABLE; AND A COPY OF THE ASSOCIATION'S MOST RECENT STRUCTURAL INTEGRITY RESERVE STUDY DESCRIBED IN SECTIONS 718.103(28) AND 718.112(2)(g), FLORIDA STATUTES, IF APPLICABLE. ANY PURPORTED WAIVER OF THESE VOIDABILITY RIGHTS SHALL BE OF NO EFFECT. BUYER MAY EXTEND THE TIME FOR CLOSING FOR A PERIOD OF NOT MORE THAN 3 DAYS, EXCLUDING SATURDAYS, SUNDAYS, AND LEGAL HOLIDAYS, AFTER THE BUYER RECEIVES A CURRENT COPY OF THE INSPECTOR-PREPARED SUMMARY OF THE MILESTONE INSPECTION REPORT AS DESCRIBED IN SECTION 553.899, FLORIDA STATUTES; A COPY OF THE TURNOVER INSPECTION REPORT DESCRIBED IN SECTION 718.301(4)(p) AND (q), FLORIDA STATUTES; OR A COPY OF THE ASSOCIATION'S MOST RECENT STRUCTURAL INTEGRITY RESERVE STUDY DESCRIBED IN SECTIONS 718.103(28) AND 718.112(2)(g), FLORIDA STATUTES, IF REQUESTED IN WRITING. BUYER'S RIGHT TO VOID THIS AGREEMENT SHALL TERMINATE AT CLOSING.

11. CONDOMINIUMS CREATED WITHIN A PORTION OF A BUILDING OR WITHIN A MULTIPLE PARCEL BUILDING.

If applicable, pursuant to Section 718.407, F.S., the following disclosure is provided for condominiums created within a portion of a building or within a multiple parcel building:

DISCLOSURE SUMMARY

THE CONDOMINIUM IN WHICH YOUR UNIT IS LOCATED IS CREATED WITHIN A PORTION OF A BUILDING OR WITHIN A MULTIPLE PARCEL BUILDING. THE COMMON ELEMENTS OF THE CONDOMINIUM CONSIST ONLY OF THE PORTIONS OF THE BUILDING SUBMITTED TO THE CONDOMINIUM FORM OF OWNERSHIP.

BUYER ACKNOWLEDGES ALL OF THE FOLLOWING:

- (1) THE CONDOMINIUM MAY HAVE MINIMAL COMMON ELEMENTS.
- (2) PORTIONS OF THE BUILDING WHICH ARE NOT INCLUDED IN THE CONDOMINIUM ARE OR WILL BE GOVERNED BY A SEPARATE RECORDED INSTRUMENT. SUCH INSTRUMENT CONTAINS IMPORTANT PROVISIONS AND RIGHTS AND IS OR WILL BE AVAILABLE IN PUBLIC RECORDS.
- (3) THE PARTY THAT CONTROLS THE MAINTENANCE AND OPERATION OF THE PORTIONS OF THE BUILDING WHICH ARE NOT INCLUDED IN THE CONDOMINIUM DETERMINES THE BUDGET FOR THE OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE OF SUCH PORTIONS. HOWEVER, THE ASSOCIATION AND UNIT OWNERS ARE STILL RESPONSIBLE FOR THEIR SHARE OF SUCH EXPENSES.
- (4) THE ALLOCATION BETWEEN THE UNIT OWNERS AND THE OWNERS OF THE PORTIONS OF THE BUILDING WHICH ARE NOT INCLUDED IN THE CONDOMINIUM OF THE COSTS TO MAINTAIN AND OPERATE THE BUILDING CAN BE FOUND IN THE DECLARATION OF CONDOMINIUM OR OTHER RECORDED INSTRUMENT.



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When initialed by all parties, the parties acknowledge that the disclosure set forth below was provided to Buyer prior to execution of the Florida Realtors/Florida Bar Residential Contract For Sale and Purchase between the parties and the clauses below will be incorporated therein:

and _____
concerning the Property described as _____

Buyer's Initials _____ **Seller's Initials** _____

B. HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION/COMMUNITY DISCLOSURE

PART A. DISCLOSURE SUMMARY

IF THE DISCLOSURE SUMMARY REQUIRED BY SECTION 720.401, FLORIDA STATUTES, HAS NOT BEEN PROVIDED TO THE PROSPECTIVE PURCHASER BEFORE EXECUTING THIS CONTRACT FOR SALE, THIS CONTRACT IS VOIDABLE BY BUYER BY DELIVERING TO SELLER OR SELLER'S AGENT OR REPRESENTATIVE WRITTEN NOTICE OF THE BUYER'S INTENTION TO CANCEL WITHIN 3 DAYS AFTER RECEIPT OF THE DISCLOSURE SUMMARY OR PRIOR TO CLOSING, WHICHEVER OCCURS FIRST. ANY PURPORTED WAIVER OF THIS VOIDABILITY RIGHT HAS NO EFFECT. BUYER'S RIGHT TO VOID THIS CONTRACT SHALL TERMINATE AT CLOSING.

BUYER SHOULD NOT EXECUTE THIS CONTRACT UNTIL BUYER HAS RECEIVED AND READ THIS DISCLOSURE.

Disclosure Summary For _____
(Name of Community)

1. AS A BUYER OF PROPERTY IN THIS COMMUNITY, YOU WILL BE OBLIGATED TO BE A MEMBER OF A HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION ("ASSOCIATION").
2. THERE HAVE BEEN OR WILL BE RECORDED RESTRICTIVE COVENANTS ("COVENANTS") GOVERNING THE USE AND OCCUPANCY OF PROPERTIES IN THIS COMMUNITY.
3. YOU WILL BE OBLIGATED TO PAY ASSESSMENTS TO THE ASSOCIATION. ASSESSMENTS MAY BE SUBJECT TO PERIODIC CHANGE. IF APPLICABLE, THE CURRENT AMOUNT IS \$ _____ PER _____. YOU WILL ALSO BE OBLIGATED TO PAY ANY SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS IMPOSED BY THE ASSOCIATION. SUCH SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS MAY BE SUBJECT TO CHANGE. IF APPLICABLE, THE CURRENT AMOUNT IS \$ _____ PER _____.
4. YOU MAY BE OBLIGATED TO PAY SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS TO THE RESPECTIVE MUNICIPALITY, COUNTY, OR SPECIAL DISTRICT. ALL ASSESSMENTS ARE SUBJECT TO PERIODIC CHANGE.
5. YOUR FAILURE TO PAY SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS OR ASSESSMENTS LEVIED BY A MANDATORY HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION COULD RESULT IN A LIEN ON YOUR PROPERTY.
6. THERE MAY BE AN OBLIGATION TO PAY RENT OR LAND USE FEES FOR RECREATIONAL OR OTHER COMMONLY USED FACILITIES AS AN OBLIGATION OF MEMBERSHIP IN THE HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION. IF APPLICABLE, THE CURRENT AMOUNT IS \$ _____ PER _____.
7. THE DEVELOPER MAY HAVE THE RIGHT TO AMEND THE RESTRICTIVE COVENANTS WITHOUT THE APPROVAL OF THE ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP OR THE APPROVAL OF THE PARCEL OWNERS.
8. THE STATEMENTS CONTAINED IN THIS DISCLOSURE FORM ARE ONLY SUMMARY IN NATURE, AND, AS A PROSPECTIVE PURCHASER, YOU SHOULD REFER TO THE COVENANTS AND THE ASSOCIATION GOVERNING DOCUMENTS BEFORE PURCHASING PROPERTY.
9. THESE DOCUMENTS ARE EITHER MATTERS OF PUBLIC RECORD AND CAN BE OBTAINED FROM THE RECORD OFFICE IN THE COUNTY WHERE THE PROPERTY IS LOCATED, OR ARE NOT RECORDED AND CAN BE OBTAINED FROM THE DEVELOPER.

DATE _____ BUYER _____

DATE _____ BUYER _____

B. HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION/COMMUNITY DISCLOSURE (CONTINUED)

PART B.

The Property is located in a community with a mandatory homeowners' association or an association that may require the payment of assessments, charges, or impose restrictions on the Property ("Association").

1. **APPROVAL:** The Association's approval of Buyer (**CHECK ONE**): ☐ is ☐ is not required. If Association approval of this transaction or the Buyer is required, this Contract is contingent upon Association approval no later than _____ (if left blank, then 5) days prior to Closing. Within _____ (if left blank, then 5) days after Effective Date, the Seller shall initiate the approval process with Association. Buyer shall pay application and related fees, as applicable, unless otherwise provided for in Association governing documents or agreed to by the parties. Buyer and Seller shall sign and deliver any documents required by the Association, provide for interviews or personal appearances, if required, and use diligent effort to timely obtain Association approval. If approval is not granted within the stated time period above, Buyer may terminate this Contract, and shall be refunded the Deposit, thereby releasing Buyer and Seller from all further obligations under this Contract.

2. PAYMENT OF FEES, ASSESSMENTS, AND OTHER ASSOCIATION CHARGES:

(a) Buyer shall pay any application, initial contribution, and/or membership or other fees charged by Association pursuant to its governing documents or applicable Florida Statutes. If applicable, the current amount(s) is:

\$ _____	per _____	for _____	to _____
\$ _____	per _____	for _____	to _____
\$ _____	per _____	for _____	to _____
\$ _____	per _____	for _____	to _____

(b) If special or other assessments levied by the Association exist as of the Effective Date, or any assessment(s) are levied after the Effective Date and prior to the Closing Date, and are due and payable in full prior to Closing Date, then Seller shall pay all such assessment(s) prior to or at Closing; or, if any such assessment(s) may be paid in installments, then Seller shall pay all installments which are due before Closing Date, prior to or at Closing, and (**CHECK ONE**): ☐ Buyer ☐ Seller (if left blank, then Buyer) shall pay installments due after Closing Date. **If Seller is checked, Seller shall pay the assessment in full prior to or at the time of Closing.**

(c) Seller shall pay, prior to or at Closing, all fines imposed against the Seller or the Property by the Association which exist as of the Closing Date and any fees the Association charges to provide information about the Property, assessment(s) and fees.

The Association or Management Company to which assessments, special assessments or rent/land use fees are due and payable, is/are:

Contact Person _____
Phone _____
Email _____

Contact person _____
Phone _____
Email _____

Additional contact information can be found on the Association's website, which is:

www. _____



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Seller's Initials _____

C. SELLER FINANCING (PURCHASE MONEY MORTGAGE; SECURITY AGREEMENT TO SELLER)

WARNING – PRIOR TO ENTERING INTO THE FINANCING CONTEMPLATED BELOW, SELLER AND BUYER ARE ADVISED TO SEEK THE ADVICE OF LEGAL COUNSEL TO DETERMINE IF THIS FINANCING COMPLIES WITH THE DODD-FRANK WALL STREET REFORM AND CONSUMER PROTECTION ACT (DODD-FRANK) AND OTHER RELEVANT FEDERAL AND STATE REQUIREMENTS.

I. SUMMARY OF SELLER FINANCING UNDER DODD-FRANK – PLEASE READ CAREFULLY

Dodd-Frank has made significant and important changes affecting seller financing on residential properties. Effective January 10, 2014, a seller of residential dwelling(s) who finances buyer's purchase of seller's residential property may be considered a "loan originator" under Dodd-Frank, and required to comply with certain Truth In Lending Act ("TILA") rules and disclosures, unless the seller is entitled to one of the two exclusions set forth in Dodd-Frank:

1. *The "one property exclusion" where seller finances only **ONE** property in any 12 month period, and:*
 - (a) *The seller owns the property and is a natural person, a trust or an estate; and*
 - (b) *The seller did not construct or act as the contractor for the construction of a residence on the property in the ordinary course of business; and*
 - (c) *The financing does not result in negative amortization; and*
 - (d) *The financing has a fixed rate or an adjustable rate that does not adjust for the first 5 years and is subject to reasonable annual and lifetime rate adjustment limits.*

OR

2. *The "three property exclusion" where seller finances no more than **THREE** properties in any 12 month period, and:*
 - (a) *The seller owns the property and is a natural person or organization (corporation, LLC, partnership, trust, estate, association, etc.); and*
 - (b) *The seller did not construct or act as the contractor for the construction of a residence on the property in the ordinary course of business; and*
 - (c) *The loan is fully amortized, specifically there is no balloon payment or negative amortization; and*
 - (d) *The financing has a fixed rate or an adjustable rate that does not adjust for the first 5 years and is subject to reasonable annual and lifetime rate adjustment limits; and*
 - (e) *The seller determines in good faith that the buyer/borrower has the reasonable ability to repay the loan.*

A seller who finances the buyer's purchase of seller's residential property and who meets either of the two exclusions outlined above may use this Seller Financing Rider.

A seller who finances the buyer's purchase of seller's residential property and who is not exempt from Dodd-Frank should seek the advice of legal counsel regarding use of this Seller Financing Rider, including modifications or disclosures that may be required by Dodd-Frank, prior to completing this Rider.

C. SELLER FINANCING (CONTINUED)

II. SELLER FINANCING

Seller agrees to hold a note secured by **(CHECK ONE)**: ☐ a first or ☐ a second purchase money mortgage, executed by Buyer in the principal amount of \$_____ at _____% interest per annum that will be **(CHECK ONE*)**:

- (a) ☐ fully amortized for a term of _____ (if left blank, then 30) years; or
- (b) ☐ an interest only mortgage loan that complies with the requirements of Dodd-Frank, set forth above, for a term of _____ (if left blank, then 60) months, and requires monthly, quarterly, annual or other periodic interest payments (Permitted for the one property exclusion only); or
- (c) ☐ a balloon mortgage that complies with the requirements of Dodd-Frank, set forth above, and initially amortized for a term of _____ (if left blank, then 30) years (Permitted for the one property exclusion only); or
- (d) ☐ an adjustable rate mortgage loan for a minimum term of _____ (if left blank, then 30) years, with interest rate adjustments as follows:
 - (i) The initial annual interest rate may change after _____ (but no less than 5, which shall be the number if left blank) years, and thereafter every _____ (if left blank, then 1) year(s). Each date on which the interest rate changes is called a "Change Date."
 - (ii) The interest rate adjustments shall be based on a widely available index identified in (c) (iii), below. As of each Change Date, the new interest rate will be calculated by adding _____ percentage points (if left blank, then 1) to the then current index; however, the difference between the interest rate paid during the preceding twelve months and the new interest rate shall be limited to a change in the interest rate of _____ percentage points (but no more than 2, which shall be the number if left blank), and the lifetime interest rate change from the initial annual interest rate shall be limited to _____ percentage points (but no more than 6, which shall be the number if left blank).
 - (iii) The widely available index to be used to calculate interest rate adjustments shall be the _____ (if left blank, then the index shall be the weekly average yield on United States Treasury securities adjusted to a constant maturity of one year, as made available by the Federal Reserve Board on the date 45 days before each Change Date.)

*** PURSUANT TO DODD-FRANK NO OTHER OPTIONS ARE PERMITTED.**

Principal plus interest shall be payable (in the event of an adjustable rate mortgage loan, initially) in equal **(CHECK ONE)**: ☐ monthly ☐ quarterly or ☐ annual payments of \$_____ each, including interest, with the first payment due _____ month(s) after Closing. If a balloon mortgage, the final payment will exceed the periodic payments thereon, and the entire unpaid principal balance plus accrued interest shall be due and payable in _____ (if left blank, then 60) months from date of Closing.

If a second mortgage, the amount of the first mortgage shall not exceed the amount set forth in Paragraph 2(c) of the Contract, and a default in the first mortgage shall, at the option of the holder, constitute a default of the second mortgage.

The purchase money mortgage and mortgage note to Seller shall provide for a 30 day grace period in the event of default if a first mortgage and a 15 day grace period if a second or lesser mortgage; shall provide for right of repayment in whole or in part without penalty; shall permit acceleration in event of transfer of the Real Property; shall require all prior liens and encumbrances to be kept in good standing; shall forbid modifications of, or future advances under, prior mortgage(s); shall require Buyer to maintain policies of insurance containing a standard mortgagee clause covering all improvements located on the Real Property against fire and all perils included within the term "extended coverage endorsements" and such other risks and perils as Seller may reasonably require, in an amount equal to their highest insurable value; and the mortgage, mortgage note and security agreement shall be otherwise in form and content required by Seller, but Seller may only require clauses and coverage customarily found in mortgages, mortgage notes and security agreements generally utilized by state or national banks or other residential lending institutions located in the county where the Real Property is located. All Personal Property and leases being conveyed or assigned shall, at Seller's option, be subject to the lien of a security agreement evidenced by recorded or filed financing statements or certificates of title.

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D. ASSUMPTION OF EXISTING MORTGAGE(S)

The Property is encumbered by an existing mortgage, in the amount of \$_____, which has ☐ a variable interest rate; or ☐ a fixed interest rate of _____% per annum. At time of title transfer, some fixed interest rates are subject to increase; if increased, the rate shall not exceed _____% per annum. Seller shall furnish a statement from each mortgagee stating the principal balance, method of payment, interest rate and status of mortgage or authorize Buyer or Closing Agent to obtain the same. If Buyer has agreed to assume a mortgage which requires approval of Buyer by the mortgagee for assumption, then Buyer shall promptly obtain the necessary application and diligently complete and return it to the mortgagee. Any mortgagee charge(s), not to exceed \$_____ (1% of amount assumed if left blank), shall be paid by Buyer. If Buyer is not accepted by mortgagee or the requirements for assumption are not in accordance with the terms of this Contract or mortgagee makes a charge in excess of the stated amount, Seller or Buyer may rescind this Contract by written notice to the other party unless either elects to pay the increase in interest rate or excess mortgage charges.

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E. FEDERAL HOUSING ADMINISTRATION (FHA)/U.S. DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS (VA)

1. DEFINITIONS:

- (a) "Contract" is the Florida Realtors®/Florida Bar Residential Contract For Sale And Purchase, to which this Rider is attached and intended to amend.
- (b) "Property" is the Property which is the subject matter of this Contract.
- (c) "HUD" is the Department of Housing and Urban Development.
- (d) "VA" is the US Department of Veterans Affairs
- (e) "Purchaser" is the Buyer named in this Contract.

2. INSPECTIONS AND APPRAISAL:

In addition to the requirements of this Contract, Seller shall comply with applicable FHA or VA regulations regarding lender required inspections and appraisal repairs (collectively "Appraisal Repairs"). The cost to Seller for Appraisal Repairs shall not exceed \$_____, which cost is in addition to the costs required to be paid by any other provisions of this Contract.

3. ☐ **(CHECK IF APPLICABLE): FHA FINANCING:** It is expressly agreed that notwithstanding any other provisions of this Contract, the Purchaser shall not be obligated to complete the purchase of the Property described herein or to incur any penalty by forfeiture of earnest money deposits or otherwise unless the Purchaser has been given in accordance with HUD/FHA or VA requirements a written statement by the Federal Housing Commissioner, Veterans Administration, or a Direct Endorsement lender setting forth the appraised value of the Property of not less than \$_____. The Purchaser shall have the privilege and option of proceeding with consummation of this Contract without regard to the amount of the appraised valuation. The appraised valuation is arrived at to determine the maximum mortgage the Department of Housing and Urban Development will insure. HUD does not warrant the value or the condition of the Property. The Purchaser should satisfy himself/herself that the price and condition of the Property are acceptable.

- (a) **Fees, Prepayments:** Purchaser shall pay all loan expenses, except tax service fee which fee, if charged by Buyer's lender, shall be paid by Seller up to a maximum of \$_____ (if left blank, then \$100.00).
- (b) **Appraisal Repairs:** If the cost of Appraisal Repairs exceeds the limit imposed by Paragraph 2 above, Seller must, within 3 days after receiving notice of the excess cost, give Purchaser written notice of Seller's intention to pay some, all, or none of the excess amount. If Seller elects to pay less than the full amount of the excess cost, Purchaser may elect to pay the balance or cancel this Contract. Purchaser's election must be in writing and provided to Seller within 3 days after receiving written notice of Seller's election.
- (c) **Certification:** We, the undersigned Seller, Purchaser and Broker involved in this transaction each certify individually and jointly that the terms of this Contract are true and correct to the best of our knowledge and belief and that any other agreements entered into by any of these parties in connection with this transaction are part of, or attached to, this Contract.

4. ☐ **(CHECK IF APPLICABLE): VA FINANCING:** It is expressly agreed that, notwithstanding any other provision of this Contract, the Purchaser shall not incur any penalty by forfeiture of earnest money or otherwise be obligated to complete the purchase of the Property described herein, if this Contract purchase price or cost exceeds the reasonable value of the Property as established by the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs. The Purchaser shall, however, have the privilege and option of proceeding with the consummation of this Contract without regard to the amount of reasonable value established by the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs.

E. FEDERAL HOUSING ADMINISTRATION (FHA)/U.S. DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS (VA) (CONTINUED)

(a) **Fees, Prepayments:** Seller shall pay all required fees under the VA regulations up to \$_____ (if left blank, then \$250.00). Purchaser shall pay all prepayments and escrows for taxes, hazard insurance, and flood insurance, when applicable.

(b) **Appraisal Repairs:** If the cost of Appraisal Repairs exceeds the limit imposed by Paragraph 2 above, Seller must, within 3 days after receiving notice of the excess cost, give Purchaser written notice of Seller's intention to pay some, all, or none of the excess amount. If Seller elects to pay less than the full amount of the excess cost, Purchaser may elect to pay the balance or cancel this Contract. Purchaser's election must be in writing and provided to Seller within 3 days after receiving written notice of Seller's election.

5. ELECTION TO PROCEED WITH CONTRACT: In the event Purchaser elects under Paragraph 3 or 4 above to proceed with this Contract without regard to the amount of reasonable value established by the Federal Housing Commissioner, U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs, or Direct Endorsement lender, such election must be made within 3 days after Purchaser receives the appraisal. (If Purchaser and Seller agree to adjust the sales price in response to an appraised value which is less than the sales price, a new rider is not required. However, the loan application package must include the original sales contract with the same price as shown on the above clause, along with the revised or amended sales contract.)

_____ BUYER	_____ DATE	_____ SELLER	_____ DATE
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_____ BUYER	_____ DATE	_____ SELLER	_____ DATE
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_____ BROKER/SALES ASSOCIATE	_____ DATE	_____ BROKER/SALES ASSOCIATE	_____ DATE
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F. APPRAISAL CONTINGENCY

This Contract is contingent upon Buyer obtaining, at Buyer's expense, a written appraisal from a licensed Florida appraiser, on or before _____ (if left blank, then at least ten (10) days prior to Closing), stating that the appraised value of the Property is at least \$_____ (if left blank, the Purchase Price). If the appraisal states that the appraised value of the Property is less than the above value, Buyer shall deliver a copy of such appraisal to Seller within 3 days after the above date and deliver written notice to Seller, either: a) terminating this Contract in which event the Deposit paid shall be refunded to Buyer, thereby releasing Buyer and Seller from all further obligations under this Contract; or b) waiving and removing this contingency and continuing with this Contract without regard to the appraised value of the Property, except as provided in Paragraph 8(b) if it is checked.

If Buyer fails to timely obtain an appraisal, or having timely obtained such appraisal fails to timely deliver notice of Buyer's exercise of the right to terminate granted above, this contingency shall be waived and removed, and Buyer shall continue with this Contract, without waiving any of Buyer's rights in Paragraph 8(b) if it is checked.



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G. SHORT SALE APPROVAL CONTINGENCY

1. Approval of Seller's Lender(s) and Requirements for Seller's Approval of Short Sale. This Contract is contingent upon: (a) Seller's lender(s) and all other lien holder(s) (collectively "Seller's Lender") approving the Purchase Price, terms of this Contract and the HUD-1 settlement statement; (b) Seller's Lender's agreement to accept a payoff which is less than the balance due on the loan or other indebtedness; and (c) Seller's Lender's agreement to release and provide a satisfaction of the mortgage(s) and/or other lien(s) encumbering the Property (the "Mortgage(s)") upon receipt of reduced payoff amount(s).

Approval of, or agreement to, items (a) through (c) by Seller's Lender is referred to as "Short Sale Approval". However, an approval by Seller's Lender which does not provide a waiver and complete release of any claim(s) for a deficiency against Seller for sums due Seller's Lender under the Mortgage(s) as of the payoff date, or which requires additional terms or obligations affecting either party shall not be deemed "Short Sale Approval" unless the party affected accepts those additional terms or obligations in writing. A copy of a Short Sale Approval accepted by Seller shall be delivered by Seller to Buyer and Closing Agent within 3 days of Seller's receipt of such Short Sale Approval.

2. Application for Approval of Short Sale. Seller shall within _____ (if left blank, then 10) days after Effective Date obtain from Seller's Lender their application forms for a "short sale", and Seller shall diligently complete and return such forms to Seller's Lender within 5 days thereafter and promptly provide such additional documents as may be requested by Seller's Lender.

3. Status of Short Sale Approval Application. Seller hereby authorizes Seller's Lender to provide Buyer and Buyer's Broker and Closing Agent with information stating the status of Seller's application for approval of a Short Sale and notice of the approval(s) or denial(s) of such application(s). Seller shall promptly notify Buyer when Seller obtains Short Sale Approval as provided in Paragraph 1 above, or denial of such approval from Seller's Lender.

4. Short Sale Approval Deadline; Termination. If Seller does not deliver a copy of Seller's accepted Short Sale Approval to Buyer within _____ (if left blank, then 90) days from Effective Date ("Short Sale Approval Deadline"), then either party may thereafter terminate this Contract by delivering written notice to the other party, and the Deposit shall be refunded to Buyer, thereby releasing Buyer and Seller from all further obligations under this Contract.

This Contract shall automatically terminate if Seller has not delivered the Short Sale Approval to Buyer within 30 days after expiration of the Short Sale Approval Deadline, including any extension(s) of the Short Sale Approval Deadline ("Contract Expiration Date"), in which event the Deposit shall be refunded to Buyer, thereby releasing Buyer and Seller from all further obligations under this Contract.

5. Time Periods. The time for making the initial deposit specified in Paragraph 2(a) and for calculating the Short Sale Approval Deadline shall be computed from the Effective Date. All other time periods and other obligations under this Contract shall commence from the date of Buyer's receipt of Short Sale Approval pursuant to Paragraph 1 above.

6. Closing Date. The Closing Date shall be _____ (if left blank, then 45) days after Buyer receives Short Sale Approval pursuant to Paragraph 1 above.

7. Back-up Offers. (CHECK ONE - If no option is checked, then option (a) shall be deemed selected):

- (a) ☐ **Seller's Agreement Not to Accept Other Contracts or Offers.** During the term of this Contract, Seller shall not accept or enter into any back-up offers, contracts, options or other agreements concerning the sale of the Property.
- (b) ☐ **Seller's Right to Accept Back-up Contracts or Offers.** During the term of this Contract, Seller may accept or enter into bona fide "back-up" contracts or offers to purchase the Property that are conditioned upon a failure of the Closing of the sale contemplated by this Contract.

8. Acknowledgement by Seller.

- (a) If Seller is advised of Seller's Lender's refusal to participate in any short sale, Seller agrees to immediately communicate this to Buyer and Broker.
- (b) Seller acknowledges that Broker has advised Seller to consult with professionals for any tax, legal or specialized advice and has been encouraged to discuss other options with legal counsel of Seller's choosing prior to entering into this short sale transaction.

9. Acknowledgement by Buyer.

- (a) Buyer acknowledges Seller's Lender is not a party to this Contract and therefore is not obligated to approve this Contract; that Seller's acceptance of this Contract does not guarantee Seller's Lender's acceptance; and Seller's Lender is under no obligation to consider, respond, approve or advise either Seller or Buyer, or Broker as to any offer submitted to it.
- (b) Buyer further acknowledges that Seller and/or Broker shall not be liable for delays caused by Seller's Lender or costs and expenses (such as payments for loan applications, inspections and appraisals) incurred by Buyer under this Contract if Seller's Lender does not complete the short sale after Seller's receipt of Short Sale Approval.

10. Termination Upon Foreclosure Sale. If during the term of this Contract, the Property is sold at foreclosure sale prior to the parties obtaining Short Sale Approval and Closing the transaction contemplated by this Contract, this Contract shall be terminated, and Buyer shall be refunded the Deposit, thereby releasing Buyer and Seller from all further obligations under this Contract.



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H. HOMEOWNER'S/FLOOD INSURANCE

(CHECK IF APPLICABLE)

☐ (a) **Homeowner's Insurance:** If Buyer is unable to obtain homeowner's insurance coverage (including windstorm) from a standard carrier or the Citizen's Property Insurance Corporation at a first year annual premium(s) not to exceed \$_____ or _____% of the Purchase Price by _____ (if left blank, then the earlier of 30 days after Effective Date or 10 days prior to Closing Date), Buyer may terminate this Contract by delivering written notice to the Seller by the date set forth in this Paragraph, and Buyer shall be refunded the Deposit, thereby releasing Buyer and Seller from all further obligations under this Contract.

☐ (b) **Flood Insurance:** In addition to the right of termination provided to Buyer in Paragraph 10(d), if Buyer is unable to obtain flood insurance coverage through the National Flood Insurance Program or through private flood insurance (as defined in 42 U.S.C. §4012a) at a first year premium not to exceed \$_____ or _____% of the purchase price by _____ (if left blank, then the earlier of 30 days after Effective Date or 10 days prior to Closing Date), Buyer may terminate this Contract by delivering written notice to the Seller by the date set forth in this Paragraph, and Buyer shall be refunded the Deposit, thereby releasing Buyer and Seller from all further obligations under this Contract.



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I. MOLD INSPECTION

Buyer may, at Buyer's expense, have inspection(s) of the Property for the presence of mold conducted by a qualified and licensed home inspector, contractor, or other professional, as provided for in Section 468.8419, F.S., ("Mold Inspection") within _____ (if left blank, then 20) days after Effective Date ("Mold Inspection Period"). Buyer shall, within the Mold Inspection Period, deliver a copy of the written Mold Inspection report(s) to Seller if any evidence of the existence of mold or related damage is found. If this Contract does not close, Buyer will repair all damage to the Property resulting from the inspection and restore the Property to its pre-inspection condition. This latter obligation will survive termination of this Contract.

If the Mold Inspection reveals the presence of mold that requires remediation or repair at a cost which exceeds \$ _____ (if left blank, then \$500), Buyer may cancel this Contract by delivering written notice to Seller within the Mold Inspection Period, and Buyer's Deposit will be refunded, thereby releasing Buyer and Seller from all further obligations under this Contract. If Buyer fails to timely conduct the Mold Inspection or fails to timely deliver to Seller notice of Buyer's cancellation, this contingency shall be waived, and Buyer shall continue with this Contract.



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J. INTEREST-BEARING ACCOUNT

All Deposits shall be held by Escrow Agent in an interest-bearing escrow account at _____ (Financial Institution) with all accrued interest to be paid to _____ at Closing. Deposits shall accrue interest only from the date the Financial Institution receives and credits the Deposits through the date Escrow Agent is notified that the transaction is scheduled for Closing and the funds are transferred. Escrow Agent is authorized to deduct \$ _____ as a service charge from the earned interest before disbursing the funds.



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K. "AS IS"

1. SELLER'S OBLIGATIONS WITH RESPECT TO THE PROPERTY; LIMITATIONS:

- (a) Paragraph 9(a)(i) (General Repair Limit), Paragraph 9(a)(ii) (WDO Repair Limit), Paragraph 9(a)(iii) (Permit Limit), Paragraph 11 (Property Maintenance), and Paragraph 12 (Property Inspection and Repair) are deleted.
- (b) This Rider does not relieve Seller's disclosure obligations under Paragraph 10(j). Except as provided for in this Rider, (1) Seller has received no written or verbal notice from any governmental entity or agency as to a currently uncorrected building, environmental or safety code violation and (2) Seller extends and intends no warranty and makes no representation of any type, either express or implied, as to the physical condition or history of the Property.
- (c) Subject to the provisions and limitations of this Rider, and to the extent permitted by law, Buyer waives any claims against Seller and against any real estate licensee involved in the negotiation of this Contract for any damage or defects pertaining to the physical condition of the Property that may exist at Closing of this Contract and be subsequently discovered by the Buyer or anyone claiming by, through, under or against the Buyer. The terms of this Rider shall survive Closing.

2. INSPECTION PERIOD AND RIGHT TO CANCEL:

- (a) Buyer shall have _____ (if left blank, then 15) days from Effective Date ("Inspection Period") within which to have such inspections of the Property performed as Buyer shall desire and utilities shall be made available by the Seller during the Inspection Period.
- (b) If this Contract is terminated or if the transaction contemplated by this Contract does not close, Buyer shall repair all damage to Property resulting from Buyer's inspections, return Property to its pre-inspection condition and provide Seller with paid receipts for all work done on Property upon its completion. This provision shall survive termination of this Contract.
- (c) If Buyer determines, in Buyer's sole discretion, that the Property is not acceptable to Buyer, Buyer may terminate this Contract by delivering written notice of such election to Seller on or before expiration of the Inspection Period. If Buyer timely terminates this Contract, the Deposit shall be refunded to Buyer, thereby releasing Buyer and Seller of all further obligations under this Contract, except as provided in Subparagraph 2(b), above.
- (d) If Buyer elects to proceed with this Contract or fails to timely terminate this Contract on or before expiration of the Inspection Period, then, except for Seller's continuing AS IS Maintenance Requirement under Paragraph 3 below, Buyer waives Seller's obligation(s) to make repair(s), replacement(s), or treatment(s) or close open or expired Permits, accepts the physical condition of the Property and any violation of governmental, building, environmental, and safety codes, restrictions, or requirements, in their "as is" condition(s), and Buyer shall be responsible for any and all repairs and improvements required by Buyer's lender.

3. PROPERTY MAINTENANCE; PROPERTY ACCESS; ASSIGNMENT OF CONTRACTS AND WARRANTIES:

Except for ordinary wear and tear and Casualty Loss, Seller shall maintain the Property, including, but not limited to, lawn, shrubbery, and pool, in the condition existing as of Effective Date ("AS IS Maintenance Requirement"). Seller shall, upon reasonable notice, provide utilities service and access to the Property for appraisal and inspections, including a walk-through prior to Closing, to confirm that all items of Personal Property are on the Real Property and that the Property has been maintained as required by this Paragraph 3. At Buyer's option and cost, Seller shall, at Closing, assign all assignable repair, treatment and maintenance contracts and warranties to Buyer.

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L. RIGHT TO INSPECT AND RIGHT TO CANCEL

1. In lieu of the Inspection Period set forth in Paragraph 12(a), Buyer shall have _____ (if left blank, then 15) days from Effective Date ("Right To Inspect Period") within which to have such inspections of the Property performed as Buyer shall desire and utilities shall be made available by the Seller during the Right To Inspect Period. Any inspections permitted under Paragraph 12 which Buyer desires to make must be completed during the Right To Inspect Period.
2. If this Contract is terminated or the transaction contemplated by this Contract does not close, Buyer shall repair all damage to Property resulting from Buyer's inspections, return Property to its pre-inspection condition and provide Seller with paid receipts for all work done on Property upon its completion. This provision shall survive termination of this Contract.
3. If Buyer determines, in Buyer's sole discretion, that the Property is not acceptable to Buyer, Buyer may terminate this Contract by delivering written notice to Seller on or before expiration of the Right To Inspect Period and the Deposit shall be refunded to Buyer, thereby releasing Buyer and Seller from all further obligations under this Contract, except as provided in Subparagraph 2, above.
4. If Buyer elects to proceed with this Contract or fails to timely terminate this Contract on or before expiration of the Right To Inspect Period, then this Contract shall remain in effect and:
 - (a) If, during the Right To Inspect Period, Buyer has conducted inspections permitted by Paragraph 12 and timely reports to Seller in writing within the Right To Inspect Period any items requiring repair, replacement, treatment, or the need to obtain and close Permits under such Paragraph 12, then Seller shall pay up to the applicable amounts required by Paragraph 9(a)(i),(ii), or (iii); or
 - (b) If, during the Right To Inspect Period Buyer: (i) fails to conduct inspections permitted by Paragraph 12, or (ii) conducts inspections, but fails to timely deliver to Seller a written notice or report required by Paragraphs 12(b),(c), or (d), then, except for Seller's continuing Maintenance Requirement, Buyer shall have waived Seller's obligation(s) to repair, replace, treat or remedy the matters not inspected and timely reported.



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M. DEFECTIVE DRYWALL

During the time Florida was experiencing building material shortages, some homes were built or renovated using drywall imported from or manufactured in China or elsewhere which reportedly emit levels of sulfur, methane and/or other volatile organic compounds that cause corrosion of air conditioner and refrigerator coils, copper tubing, electrical wiring, computer wiring and other household items as well as create noxious odors which may also pose health risks ("Defective Drywall").

1. **Seller's Knowledge:** Except as indicated below, Seller has no actual knowledge of the presence of Defective Drywall or the existence of any information, records, reports, or other documents pertaining to Defective Drywall affecting the Property: (describe all known Defective Drywall information and list all available documents pertaining to Defective Drywall and provide documents, if any, to Buyer before accepting Buyer's offer) _____

2. **Defective Drywall Inspection: (Check One):**

- (a) ☐ Buyer waives the opportunity to conduct a risk assessment or inspection for the presence of Defective Drywall and accepts the Drywall in the Property in its existing condition.
- (b) ☐ Buyer, at Buyer's expense, may have a home inspector, licensed contractor or other licensed professional (if required by law) to conduct an inspection or risk assessment of the Property for the presence of Defective Drywall within _____ (if left blank, then 15) days from the Effective Date ("Drywall Inspection Period"). If the drywall inspection or risk assessment reveals the presence of Defective Drywall or reveals damage to the Property resulting from the Defective Drywall and the cost to remove/replace the Defective Drywall or damage resulting from the Defective Drywall exceeds \$ _____ (if left blank, \$500.00), Buyer may cancel this Contract by giving written notice to Seller on or before expiration of the Drywall Inspection Period. If Buyer timely terminates this Contract, the Deposit shall be refunded to Buyer; thereby releasing Buyer and Seller of all further obligations under this Contract, except as provided in Paragraph 3 below. If Buyer fails to timely cancel or fails to conduct the inspections permitted in this Paragraph, Buyer may not terminate this Contract pursuant to this Addendum.

IF NEITHER BOX IS CHECKED, THEN OPTION (b) SHALL BE DEEMED SELECTED.

3. **Repair of Inspection Damages to Property:** Buyer shall be responsible for prompt payment for such inspections and repair all damages to the Property resulting from the inspections.

4. **Professional Advice:** Buyer acknowledges that Broker has not conducted any independent investigations to verify the accuracy or completeness of any representations about Defective Drywall made by Broker or Seller. Buyer agrees to rely solely on Seller, professional inspectors, governmental agencies or any third parties retained by the Buyer regarding any issue related to Defective Drywall.



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Seller's Initials _____

N. COASTAL CONSTRUCTION CONTROL LINE

The Real Property which is the subject of this Contract is or may be located either partially or totally seaward of the Coastal Construction Control Line ("CCCL"), as defined in Section 161.053 F.S. The Property being purchased may be subject to coastal erosion and to federal, state, or local regulations that govern coastal property, including the delineation of the coastal construction control line, rigid coastal protection structures, beach nourishment, and the protection of marine turtles. Additional information can be obtained from the Florida Department of Environmental Protection, including whether there are significant erosion conditions associated with the shoreline of the Property being purchased. Florida law requires Seller to provide Buyer with an affidavit, or a survey meeting the requirements of Chapter 472 of the Florida Statutes, delineating the location of the CCCL on the Real Property at or prior to the Closing, unless Buyer waives this requirement in writing. This Property may be in the Coastal Building Zone ("CBZ") and therefore be subject to governmental regulation.

- ☐ Buyer waives the right to receive a CCCL affidavit or survey.
- ☐ Buyer requests a CCCL affidavit or survey within the time allowed to deliver evidence of title.



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O. INSULATION DISCLOSURE FOR NEW RESIDENCE

Insulation has been or will be installed in the new residence as follows:

<u>Location</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>Thickness</u>	<u>Manufacturer R-Value</u>
Interior Walls			
Flat Ceiling Area			
Sloped Ceiling Area			
Common Walls Between House & Garage			
Exterior Walls			
Other _____			



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P. LEAD-BASED PAINT DISCLOSURE (Pre-1978 Housing)

Lead-Based Paint Warning Statement

"Every purchaser of any interest in residential real property on which a residential dwelling was built prior to 1978 is notified that such property may present exposure to lead from lead-based paint that may place young children at risk of developing lead poisoning. Lead poisoning in young children may produce permanent neurological damage, including learning disabilities, reduced intelligence quotient, behavioral problems, and impaired memory. Lead poisoning also poses a particular risk to pregnant women. The seller of any interest in residential real property is required to provide the buyer with any information on lead-based paint hazards from risk assessments or inspection in the seller's possession and notify the buyer of any known lead-based paint hazards. A risk assessment or inspection for possible lead-based paint hazards is recommended prior to purchase."

Seller's Disclosure (INITIAL)

- _____ (a) Presence of lead-based paint or lead-based paint hazards (**CHECK ONE BELOW**):
- ☐ Known lead-based paint or lead-based paint hazards are present in the housing.
 - ☐ Seller has no knowledge of lead-based paint or lead-based paint hazards in the housing.
- _____ (b) Records and reports available to the Seller (**CHECK ONE BELOW**):
- ☐ Seller has provided the Buyer with all available records and reports pertaining to lead-based paint or lead-based paint hazards in the housing. List documents: _____
 - ☐ Seller has no reports or records pertaining to lead-based paint or lead-based paint hazards in the housing.

Buyer's Acknowledgement (INITIAL)

- _____ (c) Buyer has received copies of all information listed above.
- _____ (d) Buyer has received the pamphlet *Protect Your Family from Lead in Your Home*.
- _____ (e) Buyer has (**CHECK ONE BELOW**):
- ☐ Received a 10-day opportunity (or other mutually agreed upon period) to conduct a risk assessment or inspection for the presence of lead-based paint or lead-based paint hazards; or
 - ☐ Waived the opportunity to conduct a risk assessment or inspection for the presence of lead-based paint or lead-based paint hazards.

Licensee's Acknowledgement (INITIAL)

- _____ (f) Licensee has informed the Seller of the Seller's obligations under 42 U.S.C. 4852(d) and is aware of Licensee's responsibility to ensure compliance.

Certification of Accuracy

The following parties have reviewed the information above and certify, to the best of their knowledge, that the information they have provided is true and accurate.

SELLER	Date	BUYER	Date
SELLER	Date	BUYER	Date
Listing Licensee	Date	Selling Licensee	Date

Any person or persons who knowingly violate the provisions of the Residential Lead-Based Paint Hazard Reduction Act of 1992 may be subject to civil and criminal penalties and potential triple damages in a private civil lawsuit.



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Q. HOUSING FOR OLDER PERSONS

Buyer acknowledges that the owners' association, developer or other housing provider intends the Property to provide housing for older persons as defined by federal law. While Seller and Broker make no representation that the Property actually qualifies as housing for older persons, the housing provider has stated that it provides housing for persons who are ☐ 62 years of age and older ☐ 55 years of age and older.



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Seller's Initials _____

R. REZONING CONTINGENCY

Buyer's obligations hereunder are expressly conditioned upon Buyer, at Buyer's expense, applying for and obtaining rezoning or change of land use of the described Property to the zoning or land use category of _____, under (☐ county/☐ city) ordinances and land use regulations. Buyer's obligations are further conditioned upon obtaining such Comprehensive Land Use Plan ("CLUP") amendment(s) as may be necessary to permit such rezoning. Seller agrees to such rezoning/CLUP amendment(s).

Buyer agrees to promptly apply for and diligently pursue said rezoning/CLUP amendment(s). If final government action on said rezoning application has not been obtained by _____ ("Date"), then either party thereafter, by written notice to the other, may terminate this Contract, in which event the Deposit shall be refunded to Buyer, thereby releasing Buyer and Seller from all further obligations under this Contract; provided, however, if as of Date, the final public hearing has been scheduled before the governmental board or commission having final authority, then the deadline for satisfaction of this condition shall be extended to the day after the public hearing, but in no event more than _____ (if left blank, then 10) days after Date. The Closing shall occur within _____ (if left blank, then 10) days following final rezoning approval and, if applicable, land use change.



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Seller's Initials _____

S. LEASE PURCHASE/LEASE OPTION

This Contract is contingent upon Buyer and Seller executing a ☐ lease/purchase ☐ lease/option agreement containing mutually agreeable terms within 5 days from Effective Date. Attorney's fees for preparation of the lease/purchase or lease/option agreement shall be paid by: (**CHECK ONE**) ☐ Buyer ☐ Seller ☐ split equally by the Buyer and Seller (if not checked, then split equally). If the lease/purchase or lease/option agreement is not executed within the time stated above, this Contract shall be terminated and the Deposit refunded to Buyer, thereby releasing Buyer and Seller from all further obligations under this Contract.

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T. PRE-CLOSING OCCUPANCY BY BUYER

This Contract is contingent upon Buyer and Seller within _____ (if left blank, then 10) days after Effective Date delivering to each other a mutually agreeable written lease prepared at (**CHECK ONE**): ☐ Seller's expense ☐ Buyer's expense ☐ split equally by the Buyer and Seller (if not checked, then split equally), for Buyer to take possession of the Property on _____. The written lease shall provide that upon Buyer taking possession, Paragraph 11 (Property Maintenance) and 12 (Property Inspection and Repair) are no longer applicable and Buyer thereby accepts the Property in its existing condition, relieving Seller of any repair, replacement, treatment or remedy obligations, except with respect to any items identified by Buyer pursuant to Paragraph 12 prior to taking occupancy which require repair, replacement, treatment or remedy; Buyer shall then have the sole obligation of maintaining the Property and shall assume all risk of loss; and Buyer shall pay a monthly rent of \$ _____, plus applicable sales tax, if any, payable monthly in advance.

If the parties fail to mutually agree to a written lease within the time period stated above and Buyer has not taken occupancy of the Property, then either party by written notice to the other may terminate this Contract and Buyer shall be refunded the Deposit, thereby releasing Buyer and Seller from all further obligations under this Contract.

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U. POST-CLOSING OCCUPANCY BY SELLER

This Contract is contingent upon Buyer and Seller within _____ (if left blank, then 10) days prior to Closing Date delivering to each other a mutually acceptable written lease, post-closing occupancy agreement or other similar agreement (Post-Closing Agreement) prepared at (**CHECK ONE**): ☐ Seller's expense ☐ Buyer's expense, ☐ split equally by the Buyer and Seller (if not checked, then split equally), for Seller to remain in possession of the Property until _____ days after Closing. The Post-Closing Agreement shall provide that Seller shall pay a monthly rent of \$_____ payable monthly in advance and that Seller's maintenance obligation under Paragraph 11 shall continue after Closing until possession is delivered to Buyer; however, Seller's repair, replacement, treatment and remedy obligations under Paragraph 12 shall not be extended beyond Closing.

If the parties fail to deliver a mutually acceptable Post-Closing Agreement within the time period stated above, then either party by written notice to the other may terminate this Contract and Buyer shall be refunded the Deposit, thereby releasing Buyer and Seller from all further obligations under this Contract.

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V. SALE OF BUYER'S PROPERTY

This Contract is contingent on the sale and closing of Buyer's property located at _____

Upon entering into a contract for the sale of Buyer's property, Buyer shall give Seller a copy of such contract with the third parties' identification and purchase price information obliterated. If the sale of Buyer's property does not close by _____ Buyer may, within 3 days thereafter, deliver written notice to Seller terminating this Contract in which event the Deposit shall be refunded to Buyer, thereby releasing Buyer and Seller from all further obligations under this Contract. If Buyer fails to timely deliver said written notice to Seller, this contingency shall have no further force or effect.

Buyer's property ☐ is ☐ is not presently under contract for sale. If Buyer's property is under contract at the time this offer is made, Buyer shall provide Seller a copy of the contract, with the third parties' identification and purchase price information obliterated, simultaneously with the original, signed Contract submitted to Seller from Buyer or not later than 24 hours after Buyer's offer is delivered to Seller.

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W. BACK-UP CONTRACT

This back-up contract is subject to the termination of a prior executed contract between Seller and a third party for the sale of the Property. If the prior executed contract is terminated and Seller delivers written notice of the termination to Buyer on or before _____, this contingency shall be removed and this back-up contract shall move into first position. The "Effective Date" of this back-up contract shall be the date Seller delivers written notice of the termination of the prior executed contract. Buyer may terminate this back-up Contract by delivering written notice to the Seller prior to the date Seller delivers written notice of the termination of the prior executed Contract and Buyer shall be refunded the Deposit, if any Deposit(s) have been paid, thereby releasing Buyer and Seller from all further obligations under this Contract.



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Seller's Initials _____

X. KICK OUT CLAUSE

Seller will have the right to continue to show the Property and solicit and enter into bona fide back-up purchase contracts with third parties that are subject to the termination of this primary Contract. Upon entering into a back-up contract, Seller will give Buyer a copy of the back-up contract with the third parties' identification and purchase price information obliterated. To continue with this primary Contract, Buyer must make an additional deposit of \$_____ to Escrow Agent, within 3 days from receipt of the back-up contract. By giving the additional deposit to Escrow Agent within 3 days, Buyer waives all contingencies for financing and sale of Buyer's property and the parties will close on Closing Date. The additional deposit will be credited to Buyer at Closing. If Buyer fails to timely make the additional deposit, then this primary Contract shall terminate and Buyer shall be refunded the Deposit, thereby releasing Buyer and Seller from all further obligations under this Contract.



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Y. SELLER'S ATTORNEY APPROVAL

This Contract is contingent upon Seller's attorney approving this Contract. If Seller's attorney disapproves this Contract, then Seller may terminate this Contract by delivering written notice to Buyer on or before _____, and Buyer shall be refunded the Deposit, thereby releasing Buyer and Seller from all further obligations under this Contract.



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Buyer's Initials _____

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This Contract is contingent upon Buyer's attorney approving this Contract. If Buyer's attorney disapproves this Contract, then Buyer may terminate this Contract by delivering written notice to Seller on or before _____, and Buyer shall be refunded the Deposit, thereby releasing Buyer and Seller from all further obligations under this Contract.



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Seller's Initials _____

AA. LICENSEE DISCLOSURE OF PERSONAL INTEREST IN PROPERTY

_____ has an active or inactive real estate license and has a personal interest in the
Property (specify if licensee is related to a party, or is acting as Buyer or Seller, etc.) _____

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BB. BINDING ARBITRATION

If initialed here by both Buyer and Seller, any Dispute not resolved pursuant to mediation as provided in Paragraph 16(b) of this Contract shall be settled by binding arbitration, using the Real Estate Industry Arbitration Rules of the American Arbitration Association (<http://www.adr.org>) unless the parties mutually agree to use other arbitration rules. The arbitrator may not alter the terms of this Contract nor award any remedy not provided for in this Contract. The parties shall be allowed discovery in accordance with the Florida Rules of Civil Procedure.



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When initialed by all parties, the parties acknowledge that the disclosure set forth below was provided to Buyer on the same date as the parties executed the Florida Realtors®/Florida Bar Residential Contract For Sale And Purchase and the clauses below will be incorporated therein:

_____(SELLER)
and _____(BUYER)

concerning the Property described as: _____

Buyer's Initials _____ **Seller's Initials** _____

CC. MIAMI-DADE COUNTY SPECIAL TAXING DISTRICT DISCLOSURE

Seller notifies Buyer that Property is or will be located within a special taxing district and is or will be subject to assessments levied for improvements or services reflected as non-ad valorem tax(es) on the Property tax bill.

Section [18-20.2](#) of the Code of Miami-Dade County, Florida, requires sellers of "residential property" and "new residential property" (both as defined in Section 18-20.2) to provide this disclosure to buyers under the following circumstances:

- (i) A seller of "residential property" shall provide the buyer this notice if the prior year's tax bill for the Property* reflected a special assessment levied for improvements or services within a special taxing district; OR
- (ii) A seller of "new residential property" shall provide the buyer this notice of the existence of a special taxing district or of the pendency of a petition to create such a district.

THE PROPERTY WHICH IS THE SUBJECT OF THIS TRANSACTION IS LOCATED WITHIN

[ENTER NAME OF SPECIAL TAXING DISTRICT(S)]

SPECIAL TAXING DISTRICT CREATED BY MIAMI-DADE COUNTY (OR PROPOSED TO THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS) FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING LOCAL IMPROVEMENTS AND SERVICES IN THE NATURE

OF _____

[ENTER TYPE OF IMPROVEMENTS OR SERVICES]

THE COSTS FOR PROVIDING SUCH IMPROVEMENTS AND SERVICES SHALL BE PAID BY SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS LEVIED AGAINST PROPERTIES WITHIN THE DISTRICT. SAID SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS MAY BE COLLECTED AT THE SAME TIME AND IN THE SAME MANNER AS AD VALOREM TAXES.

*To search for Property tax bill visit <http://www.miamidade.gov/pa/>



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Buyer's Initials _____ Seller's Initials _____

DD. SEASONAL and VACATION RENTALS AFTER CLOSING

The Property is or may be subject to seasonal or short-term vacation rental(s) for occupancy.

- A. Seller (**CHECK ONE**): ☐ may or ☐ may not, after Effective Date and prior to Closing, enter into new or renewal seasonal or vacation rental/occupancy agreement(s), at market rate and terms, for occupancies of the Property by third parties after Closing,

If the box for "may", above, is checked, Seller may do so (**CHECK ONE**):

- ☐ Only with Buyer's prior approval of the rental terms and conditions, in writing; or
☐ Without Buyer's prior approval of the rental terms and conditions.

Seller shall, at or prior to Closing, provide Buyer with a copy of any new or renewal occupancy agreement(s) for occupancy of the Property after Closing, which are entered into by Seller after Effective Date.

- B. If the Property has seasonal occupancy agreements in place which were procured pursuant to the terms of a Property Management Agreement, Seller shall provide to Buyer a copy of all Property Management Agreement(s) within 5 days after Effective Date. If terms of any Agreement(s) provided by Seller pursuant to the terms hereof are not acceptable to Buyer, Buyer shall have 5 days after receipt of said Agreement(s) to terminate this Contract, in accordance with the terms of Paragraph 6(b). Unless this Contract is terminated, Buyer shall be subject to the terms of the Property Management Agreement(s) for the duration of the occupancy agreement(s) in place at the time of Closing. This provision shall survive Closing.



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Buyer's Initials _____ **Seller's Initials** _____

EE. PROPERTY ASSESSED CLEAN ENERGY (PACE) DISCLOSURE

Property Assessed Clean Energy (PACE) programs provide financing to property owners for improvements to their real property for energy efficiency, renewable energy, and wind resistance, and repayment of the debt through annual property tax bill assessments on the Property, and Florida Statutes, Sec. 163.08(14), states that the Seller shall give the Buyer a written disclosure statement, in the form set forth below, at or before the time Buyer executes a contract to purchase property for which a non-ad valorem assessment has been levied under this section and has an unpaid balance due.

In the event Buyer is obtaining a mortgage loan to purchase the Property, be advised that MOST MORTGAGE LENDERS WILL REQUIRE THE SATISFACTION OR RELEASE OF THE PACE FINANCING FROM THE PROPERTY.

STATUTORY DISCLOSURE:

QUALIFYING IMPROVEMENTS FOR ENERGY EFFICIENCY, RENEWABLE ENERGY, OR WIND RESISTANCE. — The property being purchased is located within the jurisdiction of a local government that has placed an assessment on the property pursuant to s. 163.08, Florida Statutes. The assessment is for a qualifying improvement to the property relating to energy efficiency, renewable energy, or wind resistance, and is not based on the value of property. You are encouraged to contact the county property appraiser's office to learn more about this and other assessments that may be provided by law.



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Buyer's Initials _____ Seller's Initials _____

FF. CREDIT RELATED TO BUYER'S BROKER COMPENSATION

Buyer has entered into a separate brokerage agreement, as may be amended (a "Buyer Broker Agreement", which is NOT incorporated herein by this reference) with _____ (insert name of brokerage, "Buyer Broker").

At Closing, Seller agrees to credit Buyer the sum(s) described below, which for disclosure purposes only the parties agree is related to **Buyer's obligation under the Buyer Broker Agreement to pay all or a portion of Buyer Broker's compensation** (check one):

- ☐ _____ % of the Purchase Price
- ☐ _____
- ☐ _____ % of the Purchase Price PLUS \$ _____

In the event the credit described above exceeds the amount allowed by Buyer's lender for such contributions, then, to the extent permitted by Buyer's lender, (check one; if no box is checked, then *the balance of the credit will be paid by Seller directly to Buyer Broker*) ☐ the balance of the credit will be paid by Seller directly to Buyer Broker, or ☐ the credit will be reduced to the maximum amount allowed by Buyer's lender.

In the event the credit described above exceeds the limit allowed by the Buyer Broker Agreement, then the credit will be adjusted to the amount allowed under the Buyer Broker Agreement, as may be amended.

This Rider FF shall not modify the Buyer Broker Agreement or any other compensation agreement made between Seller, Buyer, Seller Broker and/or Buyer Broker. Nothing in this Rider FF requires the Buyer or Buyer Broker to provide a copy of the Buyer Broker Agreement to the Seller or Seller Broker.

Broker commissions are not set by law and are fully negotiable.

FF. CREDIT RELATED TO BUYER'S BROKER COMPENSATION

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Buyer's Initials _____ Seller's Initials _____

GG. SELLER'S AGREEMENT WITH RESPECT TO BUYER'S BROKER COMPENSATION

This Contract is contingent upon (check one) ☐ Seller's Broker and Buyer's Broker or ☐ Seller and Buyer's Broker executing a compensation agreement with terms acceptable to Buyer ("Compensation Agreement") within ____ days (if left blank, then *three (3) days*) after the Effective Date ("Time Period"). If the Compensation Agreement described herein is not executed and delivered within the Time Period, then Buyer may, within three (3) days thereafter deliver written notice to Seller, terminating this Contract in which event the Deposit shall be refunded to Buyer, thereby releasing Buyer and Seller from all further obligations under this Contract. If Buyer fails to timely deliver said written notice to Seller, this contingency shall have no further force or effect.

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PARTIES: _____ ("Seller"),
and _____ ("Buyer"),
agree that Seller shall sell and Buyer shall buy the following described Real Property and Personal Property
(collectively "Property") pursuant to the terms and conditions of this Residential Contract For Sale And Purchase and
any riders and addenda ("Contract"):

1. PROPERTY DESCRIPTION:

- (a) Street address, city, zip: _____
(b) Located in: _____ County, Florida. Property Tax ID #: _____
(c) Real Property: The legal description is _____

_____ together with all existing improvements and fixtures, including built-in appliances, built-in furnishings and
attached wall-to-wall carpeting and flooring ("Real Property") unless specifically excluded in Paragraph 1(e) or
by other terms of this Contract.

- (d) Personal Property: Unless excluded in Paragraph 1(e) or by other terms of this Contract, the following items
which are owned by Seller and existing on the Property as of the date of the initial offer are included in the
purchase: range(s)/oven(s), refrigerator(s), dishwasher(s), disposal, ceiling fan(s), light fixture(s), drapery rods
and draperies, blinds, window treatments, smoke detector(s), garage door opener(s), thermostat(s), doorbell(s),
television wall mount(s) and television mounting hardware, security gate and other access devices, mailbox
keys, and storm shutters/storm protection items and hardware ("Personal Property").
Other Personal Property items included in this purchase are: _____

_____ Personal Property is included in the Purchase Price, has no contributory value, and shall be left for the Buyer.

- (e) The following items are excluded from the purchase: _____

PURCHASE PRICE AND CLOSING

2. PURCHASE PRICE (U.S. currency): _____ \$

- (a) Initial deposit to be held in escrow in the amount of **(checks subject to Collection)** _____ \$

The initial deposit made payable and delivered to "Escrow Agent" named below

(CHECK ONE): (i) ☐ accompanies offer or (ii) ☐ is to be made within _____ (if left
blank, then 3) days after Effective Date. IF NEITHER BOX IS CHECKED, THEN
OPTION (ii) SHALL BE DEEMED SELECTED.

Escrow Agent Name: _____

Address: _____ Phone: _____

Email: _____ Fax: _____

- (b) Additional deposit to be delivered to Escrow Agent within _____ (if left blank, then 10)
days after Effective Date _____ \$

(All deposits paid or agreed to be paid, are collectively referred to as the "Deposit")

- (c) Financing: Express as a dollar amount or percentage ("Loan Amount") see Paragraph 8. _____

- (d) Other: _____ \$

- (e) Balance to close (not including Buyer's closing costs, prepaids and prorations) by wire
transfer or other Collected funds (See STANDARD S) _____ \$

3. TIME FOR ACCEPTANCE OF OFFER AND COUNTER-OFFERS; EFFECTIVE DATE:

- (a) If not signed by Buyer and Seller, and an executed copy delivered to all parties on or before
_____, this offer shall be deemed withdrawn and the Deposit, if any, shall be returned
to Buyer. Unless otherwise stated, time for acceptance of any counter-offers shall be within 2 days after the day
the counter-offer is delivered.

- (b) The effective date of this Contract shall be the date when the last one of the Buyer and Seller has signed or
initialed and delivered this offer or final counter-offer ("Effective Date").

4. CLOSING; CLOSING DATE: The closing of this transaction shall occur when all funds required for closing are received by Closing Agent and Collected pursuant to STANDARD S and all closing documents required to be furnished by each party pursuant to this Contract are delivered ("Closing"). Unless modified by other provisions of

this Contract, the Closing shall occur on _____ ("Closing Date"), at the time established by the Closing Agent.

5. EXTENSION OF CLOSING DATE:

- (a) In the event Closing funds from Buyer's lender(s) are not available on Closing Date due to Consumer Financial Protection Bureau Closing Disclosure delivery requirements ("CFPB Requirements"), if Paragraph 8(b) is checked, Loan Approval has been obtained, and lender's underwriting is complete, then Closing Date shall be extended for such period necessary to satisfy CFPB Requirements, provided such period shall not exceed 7 days.
- (b) If an event constituting "Force Majeure" causes services essential for Closing to be unavailable, including the unavailability of utilities or issuance of hazard, wind, flood or homeowners' insurance, Closing Date shall be extended as provided in STANDARD G.

6. OCCUPANCY AND POSSESSION:

- (a) Unless Paragraph 6(b) is checked, Seller shall, at Closing, deliver occupancy and possession of the Property to Buyer free of tenants, occupants and future tenancies. Also, at Closing, Seller shall have removed all personal items and trash from the Property and shall deliver all keys, garage door openers, access devices and codes, as applicable, to Buyer. If occupancy is to be delivered before Closing, Buyer assumes all risks of loss to the Property from date of occupancy, shall be responsible and liable for maintenance from that date, and shall have accepted the Property in its existing condition as of time of taking occupancy (see Rider T PRE-CLOSING OCCUPANCY BY BUYER), except with respect to any items identified by Buyer pursuant to Paragraph 12, prior to taking occupancy, which require repair, replacement, treatment or remedy.
- (b) ☐ **CHECK IF PROPERTY IS SUBJECT TO LEASE(S) OR OCCUPANCY AFTER CLOSING.** If Property is subject to a lease(s) or any occupancy agreements (including seasonal and short-term vacation rentals) after Closing or is intended to be rented or occupied by third parties beyond Closing, the facts and terms thereof shall be disclosed in writing by Seller to Buyer and copies of the written lease(s) shall be delivered to Buyer, all within 5 days after Effective Date. If Buyer determines, in Buyer's sole discretion, that the lease(s) or terms of occupancy are not acceptable to Buyer, Buyer may terminate this Contract by delivery of written notice of such election to Seller within 5 days after receipt of the above items from Seller, and Buyer shall be refunded the Deposit thereby releasing Buyer and Seller from all further obligations under this Contract. Estoppel Letter(s) and Seller's affidavit shall be provided pursuant to STANDARD D, except that tenant Estoppel Letters shall not be required on seasonal or short-term vacation rentals. If Property is intended to be occupied by Seller after Closing, see Rider U POST-CLOSING OCCUPANCY BY SELLER.

- 7. ASSIGNABILITY: (CHECK ONE):** Buyer ☐ may assign and thereby be released from any further liability under this Contract; ☐ may assign but not be released from liability under this Contract; or ☐ may not assign this Contract. IF NO BOX IS CHECKED, THEN BUYER MAY NOT ASSIGN THIS CONTRACT.

FINANCING

8. FINANCING:

- ☐ (a) This is a cash transaction with no financing contingency.
- ☐ (b) This Contract is contingent upon, within _____ (if left blank, then 30) days after Effective Date ("Loan Approval Period"): (1) Buyer obtaining approval of a ☐ conventional ☐ FHA ☐ VA or ☐ other _____ (describe) mortgage loan for purchase of the Property for a **(CHECK ONE):** ☐ fixed, ☐ adjustable, ☐ fixed or adjustable rate in the Loan Amount (See Paragraph 2(c)), at an initial interest rate not to exceed _____ % (if left blank, then prevailing rate based upon Buyer's creditworthiness), and for a term of _____ (if left blank, then 30) years ("Financing"); and (2) Buyer's mortgage broker or lender having received an appraisal or alternative valuation of the Property satisfactory to lender, if either is required by lender, which is sufficient to meet the terms required for lender to provide Financing for Buyer and proceed to Closing ("Appraisal").

(i) Buyer shall make application for Financing within _____ (if left blank, then 5) days after Effective Date and use good faith and diligent effort to obtain approval of a loan meeting the Financing and Appraisal terms of Paragraph 8(b)(1) and (2), above, ("Loan Approval") within the Loan Approval Period and, thereafter, to close this Contract. Loan Approval which requires Buyer to sell other real property shall not be considered Loan Approval unless Rider V is attached.

Buyer's failure to use good faith and diligent effort to obtain Loan Approval during the Loan Approval Period shall be considered a default under the terms of this Contract. For purposes of this provision, "diligent effort" includes, but is not limited to, timely furnishing all documents and information required by Buyer's mortgage broker and lender and paying for Appraisal and other fees and charges in connection with Buyer's application for Financing.

(ii) Buyer shall, upon written request, keep Seller and Broker fully informed about the status of Buyer's mortgage loan application, loan processing, appraisal, and Loan Approval, including any Property related conditions

of Loan Approval. Buyer authorizes Buyer's mortgage broker, lender, and Closing Agent to disclose such status and progress and release preliminary and finally executed closing disclosures and settlement statements, as appropriate and allowed, to Seller and Broker.

(iii) If within the Loan Approval Period, Buyer obtains Loan Approval, Buyer shall notify Seller of same in writing prior to expiration of the Loan Approval Period; or, if Buyer is unable to obtain Loan Approval within the Loan Approval Period but Buyer is satisfied with Buyer's ability to obtain Loan Approval and proceed to Closing, Buyer shall deliver written notice to Seller confirming same, prior to the expiration of the Loan Approval Period.

(iv) If Buyer is unable to obtain Loan Approval within the Loan Approval Period, or cannot timely meet the terms of Loan Approval, all after the exercise of good faith and diligent effort, Buyer may terminate this Contract by delivering written notice of termination to Seller prior to expiration of the Loan Approval Period; whereupon, provided Buyer is not in default under the terms of this Contract, Buyer shall be refunded the Deposit thereby releasing Buyer and Seller from all further obligations under this Contract.

(v) If Buyer fails to timely deliver any written notice provided for in Paragraph 8(b)(iii) or (iv), above, to Seller prior to expiration of the Loan Approval Period, then Buyer shall proceed forward with this Contract as though Paragraph 8(a), above, had been checked as of the Effective Date; provided, however, Seller may elect to terminate this Contract by delivering written notice of termination to Buyer within 3 days after expiration of the Loan Approval Period and, provided Buyer is not in default under the terms of this Contract, Buyer shall be refunded the Deposit thereby releasing Buyer and Seller from all further obligations under this Contract.

(vi) If Buyer has timely provided either written notice provided for in Paragraph 8(b)(iii), above, and Buyer thereafter fails to close this Contract, the Deposit shall be paid to Seller unless failure to close is due to: (1) Seller's default or inability to satisfy other contingencies of this Contract; or (2) Property related conditions of the Loan Approval (specifically excluding the Appraisal valuation) have not been met unless such conditions are waived by other provisions of this Contract; in which event(s) the Buyer shall be refunded the Deposit, thereby releasing Buyer and Seller from all further obligations under this Contract.

☐ (c) Assumption of existing mortgage (see Rider D for terms).

☐ (d) Purchase money note and mortgage to Seller (see Rider C for terms).

CLOSING COSTS, FEES AND CHARGES

9. CLOSING COSTS; TITLE INSURANCE; SURVEY; HOME WARRANTY; SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS:

(a) COSTS TO BE PAID BY SELLER:

- Documentary stamp taxes and surtax on deed, if any
- Owner's Policy and Charges (if Paragraph 9(c)(i) is checked)
- Title search charges (if Paragraph 9(c)(iii) is checked)
- Municipal lien search (if Paragraph 9(c)(i) or (iii) is checked)
- Charges for FIRPTA withholding and reporting
- HOA/Condominium Association estoppel fees
- Recording and other fees needed to cure title
- Seller's attorneys' fees
- Seller's Closing Services
- Other: _____

Seller shall pay the following amounts/percentages of the Purchase Price for the following costs and expenses:

(i) up to \$ _____ or _____ % (1.5% if left blank) for General Repair Items ("General Repair Limit"); and

(ii) up to \$ _____ or _____ % (1.5% if left blank) for WDO treatment and repairs ("WDO Repair Limit"); and

(iii) up to \$ _____ or _____ % (1.5% if left blank) for costs associated with closing out open or expired building permits and obtaining required building permits for any existing improvement for which a permit was not obtained ("Permit Limit").

If, prior to Closing, Seller is unable to meet the Maintenance Requirement as required by Paragraph 11 or the repairs, replacements, treatments or permitting as required by Paragraph 12, then sums equal to 125% of estimated costs to complete the applicable item(s) (but not in excess of applicable General Repair, WDO Repair, and Permit Limits set forth above, if any) shall be escrowed at Closing. If actual costs of Maintenance Requirement or required repairs, replacements, treatment or permitting exceed applicable escrowed amounts, Seller shall pay such actual costs (but not in excess of applicable General Repair, WDO Repair, and Permit Limits set forth above). Any unused portion of escrowed amount(s) shall be returned to Seller.

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(b) **COSTS TO BE PAID BY BUYER:**

- Taxes and recording fees on notes and mortgages
- Recording fees for deed and financing statements
- Owner's Policy and Charges (if Paragraph 9(c)(ii) is checked)
- Survey (and elevation certification, if required)
- Lender's title policy and endorsements
- HOA/Condominium Association application/transfer fees
- Municipal lien search (if Paragraph 9(c)(ii) is checked)
- Other: _____
- Loan expenses
- Appraisal fees
- Buyer's Inspections
- Buyer's attorneys' fees
- All property related insurance
- Owner's Policy Premium (if Paragraph 9(c)(iii) is checked)
- Buyer's Closing Services

(c) **TITLE EVIDENCE AND INSURANCE:** At least _____ (if left blank, then 15, or if Paragraph 8(a) is checked, then 5) days prior to Closing Date ("Title Evidence Deadline"), a title insurance commitment issued by a Florida licensed title insurer, with legible copies of instruments listed as exceptions attached thereto ("Title Commitment") and, after Closing, an owner's policy of title insurance (see STANDARD A for terms) shall be obtained and delivered to Buyer. If Seller has an owner's policy of title insurance, or other evidence of title covering the Real Property, Seller shall furnish a copy to Buyer and Closing Agent within 5 days after Effective Date. The owner's title policy premium and title search (collectively, "Owner's Policy and Charges") shall be paid as set forth below. The title insurance premium charges for the owner's policy and any lender's policy will be calculated and allocated in accordance with Florida law, but may be reported differently on certain federally mandated closing disclosures and other closing documents. For purposes of this Contract "municipal lien search" means a search of records necessary for the owner's policy of title insurance to be issued without exception for unrecorded liens imposed pursuant to Chapters 153, 159 or 170, F.S., in favor of any governmental body, authority or agency.

"Closing Services" shall have the meaning ascribed to that term in Section 627.7711(1)(a), F.S.; each party shall bear their own Closing Services fees payable to Closing Agent or such other provider(s) as each party may select.

(CHECK ONE):

- ☐ (i) Seller shall designate Closing Agent and pay for Owner's Policy and Charges. Buyer shall pay premiums for any lender's title policy and endorsements; or
- ☐ (ii) Buyer shall designate Closing Agent and pay for Owner's Policy and Charges and premiums for any lender's title policy and endorsements; or
- ☐ (iii) **[MIAMI-DADE/BROWARD REGIONAL PROVISION]:** Buyer shall designate Closing Agent and pay for premiums for owner's title policy, any lender's title policy and endorsements, and any post-Closing continuation. Seller shall pay actual costs for: (A) a title search or continuation of title evidence acceptable to Buyer's title insurance underwriter, not to exceed \$_____ (if left blank, then \$200.00); (B) tax search; and (C) municipal lien search.

(d) **SURVEY:** At least 5 days prior to Closing Date, Buyer may, at Buyer's expense, have the Real Property surveyed and certified by a registered Florida surveyor ("Survey"). If Seller has a survey covering the Real Property, a copy shall be furnished to Buyer and Closing Agent within 5 days after Effective Date.

(e) **HOME WARRANTY:** At Closing, ☐ Buyer ☐ Seller ☐ N/A shall pay for a home warranty plan issued by _____ at a cost not to exceed \$_____. A home warranty plan provides for repair or replacement of many of a home's mechanical systems and major built-in appliances in the event of breakdown due to normal wear and tear during the agreement's warranty period.

(f) **SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS:** At Closing, Seller shall pay: (i) the full amount of liens imposed by a public body ("public body" does not include a Condominium or Homeowner's Association) that are certified, confirmed and ratified before Closing; and (ii) the amount of the public body's most recent estimate or assessment for an improvement which is substantially complete as of Effective Date, but that has not resulted in a lien being imposed on the Property before Closing. Buyer shall pay all other assessments. If special assessments may be paid in installments **(CHECK ONE):**

- ☐ (a) Seller shall pay installments due prior to Closing and Buyer shall pay installments due after Closing. Installments prepaid or due for the year of Closing shall be prorated.
- ☐ (b) Seller shall pay, in full, prior to or at the time of Closing, any assessment(s) allowed by the public body to be prepaid. For any assessment(s) which the public body does not allow prepayment, OPTION (a) shall be deemed selected for such assessment(s).

IF NEITHER BOX IS CHECKED, THEN OPTION (a) SHALL BE DEEMED SELECTED.

This Paragraph 9(f) shall not apply to a special benefit tax lien imposed by a community development district (CDD) pursuant to Chapter 190, F.S., or special assessment(s) imposed by a special district pursuant to Chapter 189, F.S., which lien(s) or assessment(s) shall be prorated pursuant to STANDARD K.

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DISCLOSURES

10. DISCLOSURES:

- (a) **RADON GAS:** Radon is a naturally occurring radioactive gas that, when it is accumulated in a building in sufficient quantities, may present health risks to persons who are exposed to it over time. Levels of radon that exceed federal and state guidelines have been found in buildings in Florida. Additional information regarding radon and radon testing may be obtained from your county health department.
- (b) **PERMITS DISCLOSURE:** Except as may have been disclosed by Seller to Buyer in a written disclosure, Seller does not know of any improvements made to the Property which were made without required permits or made pursuant to permits which have not been properly closed or otherwise disposed of pursuant to Section 553.79, F.S. If Seller identifies permits which have not been closed or improvements which were not permitted, then Seller shall promptly deliver to Buyer all plans, written documentation or other information in Seller's possession, knowledge, or control relating to improvements to the Property which are the subject of such open permits or unpermitted improvements.
- (c) **MOLD:** Mold is naturally occurring and may cause health risks or damage to property. If Buyer is concerned or desires additional information regarding mold, Buyer should contact an appropriate professional. See Rider I MOLD INSPECTION.
- (d) **FLOOD ZONE; ELEVATION CERTIFICATION:** Buyer is advised to verify by elevation certificate which flood zone the Property is in, whether flood insurance is required by Buyer's lender, and what restrictions apply to improving the Property and rebuilding in the event of casualty. If Property is in a "Special Flood Hazard Area" or "Coastal Barrier Resources Act" designated area or otherwise protected area identified by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service under the Coastal Barrier Resources Act and the lowest floor elevation for the building(s) and/or flood insurance rating purposes is below minimum flood elevation or is ineligible for flood insurance coverage through the National Flood Insurance Program or private flood insurance as defined in 42 U.S.C. §4012a, Buyer may terminate this Contract by delivering written notice to Seller within _____ (if left blank, then 20) days after Effective Date, and Buyer shall be refunded the Deposit thereby releasing Buyer and Seller from all further obligations under this Contract, failing which Buyer accepts existing elevation of buildings and flood zone designation of Property.
- (e) **ENERGY BROCHURE:** Buyer acknowledges receipt of Florida Energy-Efficiency Rating Information Brochure required by Section 553.996, F.S.
- (f) **LEAD-BASED PAINT:** If Property includes pre-1978 residential housing, a lead-based paint disclosure is mandatory.
- (g) **HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION/COMMUNITY DISCLOSURE: BUYER SHOULD NOT EXECUTE THIS CONTRACT UNTIL BUYER HAS RECEIVED AND READ THE HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION/COMMUNITY DISCLOSURE, IF APPLICABLE.**
- (h) **PROPERTY TAX DISCLOSURE SUMMARY:** BUYER SHOULD NOT RELY ON THE SELLER'S CURRENT PROPERTY TAXES AS THE AMOUNT OF PROPERTY TAXES THAT THE BUYER MAY BE OBLIGATED TO PAY IN THE YEAR SUBSEQUENT TO PURCHASE. A CHANGE OF OWNERSHIP OR PROPERTY IMPROVEMENTS TRIGGERS REASSESSMENTS OF THE PROPERTY THAT COULD RESULT IN HIGHER PROPERTY TAXES. IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS CONCERNING VALUATION, CONTACT THE COUNTY PROPERTY APPRAISER'S OFFICE FOR INFORMATION.
- (i) **FOREIGN INVESTMENT IN REAL PROPERTY TAX ACT ("FIRPTA"):** Seller shall inform Buyer in writing if Seller is a "foreign person" as defined by the Foreign Investment in Real Property Tax Act ("FIRPTA"). Buyer and Seller shall comply with FIRPTA, which may require Seller to provide additional cash at Closing. If Seller is not a "foreign person", Seller can provide Buyer, at or prior to Closing, a certification of non-foreign status, under penalties of perjury, to inform Buyer and Closing Agent that no withholding is required. See STANDARD V for further information pertaining to FIRPTA. Buyer and Seller are advised to seek legal counsel and tax advice regarding their respective rights, obligations, reporting and withholding requirements pursuant to FIRPTA.
- (j) **SELLER DISCLOSURE:** Seller knows of no facts materially affecting the value of the Real Property which are not readily observable and which have not been disclosed to Buyer. Except as otherwise disclosed in writing Seller has received no written or verbal notice from any governmental entity or agency as to a currently uncorrected building, environmental or safety code violation.

PROPERTY MAINTENANCE, CONDITION, INSPECTIONS AND EXAMINATIONS

11. **PROPERTY MAINTENANCE:** Except for ordinary wear and tear and Casualty Loss, and those repairs, replacements or treatments required to be made by this Contract, Seller shall maintain the Property, including, but

not limited to, lawn, shrubbery, and pool, in the condition existing as of Effective Date ("Maintenance Requirement"). See Paragraph 9(a) for escrow procedures, if applicable.

12. PROPERTY INSPECTION AND REPAIR:

(a) **INSPECTION PERIOD:** Buyer shall have _____ (if left blank, then 15) days after Effective Date ("Inspection Period"), within which Buyer may, at Buyer's expense, conduct "General", "WDO", and "Permit" Inspections as described below. If Buyer fails to timely deliver to Seller a written notice or report required by (b), (c), or (d) below, then, except for Seller's continuing Maintenance Requirement, Buyer shall have waived Seller's obligation(s) to repair, replace, treat or remedy the matters not inspected and timely reported. If this Contract does not close, Buyer shall repair all damage to Property resulting from Buyer's inspections, return Property to its pre-inspection condition and provide Seller with paid receipts for all work done on Property upon its completion.

(b) GENERAL PROPERTY INSPECTION AND REPAIR:

(i) **General Inspection:** Those items specified in Paragraph 12(b) (ii) below, which Seller is obligated to repair or replace ("General Repair Items") may be inspected ("General Inspection") by a person who specializes in and holds an occupational license (if required by law) to conduct home inspections or who holds a Florida license to repair and maintain the items inspected ("Professional Inspector"). Buyer shall, within the Inspection Period, inform Seller of any General Repair Items that are not in the condition required by (b)(ii) below by delivering to Seller a written notice and upon written request by Seller a copy of the portion of Professional Inspector's written report dealing with such items.

(ii) **Property Condition:** The following items shall be free of leaks, water damage or structural damage: ceiling, roof (including fascia and soffits), exterior and interior walls, doors, windows, and foundation. The above items together with pool, pool equipment, non-leased major appliances, heating, cooling, mechanical, electrical, security, sprinkler, septic, and plumbing systems and machinery, seawalls, dockage, watercraft lift(s) and related equipment, are, and shall be maintained until Closing, in "Working Condition" (defined below). Torn screens (including pool and patio screens), fogged windows, and missing roof tiles or shingles shall be repaired or replaced by Seller prior to Closing. Seller is not required to repair or replace "Cosmetic Conditions" (defined below), unless the Cosmetic Conditions resulted from a defect in an item Seller is obligated to repair or replace. "Working Condition" means operating in the manner in which the item was designed to operate. "Cosmetic Conditions" means aesthetic imperfections that do not affect Working Condition of the item, including, but not limited to: pitted marcite; tears, worn spots and discoloration of floor coverings, wallpapers, or window treatments; nail holes, scrapes, scratches, dents, chips or caulking in ceilings, walls, flooring, tile, fixtures, or mirrors; and minor cracks in walls, floor tiles, windows, driveways, sidewalks, pool decks, and garage and patio floors. Cracked roof tiles, curling or worn shingles, or limited roof life shall not be considered defects Seller must repair or replace, so long as there is no evidence of actual leaks, leakage or structural damage.

(iii) **General Property Repairs:** Seller is only obligated to make such general repairs as are necessary to bring items into the condition specified in Paragraph 12(b) (ii) above. Seller shall within 10 days after receipt of Buyer's written notice or General Inspection report, either have the reported repairs to General Repair Items completed at Seller's expense, or have repairs estimated by an appropriately licensed person and a copy delivered to Buyer, or have a second inspection made by a Professional Inspector and provide a copy of such report and estimates of repairs to Buyer. If Buyer's and Seller's inspection reports differ and the parties cannot resolve the differences, Buyer and Seller together shall choose, and equally split the cost of, a third Professional Inspector, whose written report shall be binding on the parties.

If cost to repair General Repair Items equals or is less than the General Repair Limit, Seller shall have repairs made in accordance with Paragraph 12(f). If cost to repair General Repair Items exceeds the General Repair Limit, then within 5 days after a party's receipt of the last estimate: (A) Seller may elect to pay the excess by delivering written notice to Buyer, or (B) Buyer may deliver written notice to Seller designating which repairs of General Repair Items Seller shall make (at a total cost to Seller not exceeding the General Repair Limit) and agreeing to accept the balance of General Repair Items in their "as is" condition, subject to Seller's continuing Maintenance Requirement. If neither party delivers such written notice to the other, then either party may terminate this Contract and Buyer shall be refunded the Deposit, thereby releasing Buyer and Seller from all further obligations under this Contract.

(c) WOOD DESTROYING ORGANISM ("WDO") INSPECTION AND REPAIR:

(i) **WDO Inspection:** The Property may be inspected by a Florida-licensed pest control business ("WDO Inspector") to determine the existence of past or present WDO infestation and damage caused by infestation ("WDO Inspection"). Buyer shall, within the Inspection Period, deliver a copy of the WDO Inspector's written report to Seller if any evidence of WDO infestation or damage is found. "Wood Destroying Organism" ("WDO") means arthropod or plant life, including termites, powder-post beetles, oldhouse borers and wood-decaying fungi, that damages or infests seasoned wood in a structure, excluding fences.

(ii) **WDO Repairs:** If Seller previously treated the Property for the type of WDO found by Buyer's WDO Inspection, Seller does not have to retreat the Property if there is no visible live infestation, and Seller, at Seller's cost, transfers to Buyer at Closing a current full treatment warranty for the type of WDO found. Seller shall within 10 days after receipt of Buyer's WDO Inspector's report, have reported WDO damage estimated by an appropriately licensed person, necessary corrective treatment, if any, estimated by a WDO Inspector, and a copy delivered to Buyer. Seller shall have treatments and repairs made in accordance with Paragraph 12(f) below up to the WDO Repair Limit. If cost to treat and repair the WDO infestations and damage to Property exceeds the WDO Repair Limit, then within 5 days after receipt of Seller's estimate, Buyer may deliver written notice to Seller agreeing to pay the excess, or designating which WDO repairs Seller shall make (at a total cost to Seller not exceeding the WDO Repair Limit), and accepting the balance of the Property in its "as is" condition with regard to WDO infestation and damage, subject to Seller's continuing Maintenance Requirement. If Buyer does not deliver such written notice to Seller, then either party may terminate this Contract by written notice to the other, and Buyer shall be refunded the Deposit, thereby releasing Buyer and Seller from all further obligations under this Contract.

(d) **INSPECTION AND CLOSE-OUT OF BUILDING PERMITS:**

(i) **Permit Inspection:** Buyer may have an inspection and examination of records and documents made to determine whether there exist any open or expired building permits or unpermitted improvements to the Property ("Permit Inspection"). Buyer shall, within the Inspection Period, deliver written notice to Seller of the existence of any open or expired building permits or unpermitted improvements to the Property. If Buyer's inspection of the Property identifies permits which have not been properly closed or improvements which were not permitted, then Seller shall promptly deliver to Buyer all plans, written documentation or other information in Seller's possession, knowledge, or control relating to improvements to the Property which are the subject of such open permits or unpermitted improvements.

(ii) **Close-Out of Building Permits:** Seller shall, within 10 days after receipt of Buyer's Permit Inspection notice, have an estimate of costs to remedy Permit Inspection items prepared by an appropriately licensed person and a copy delivered to Buyer. No later than 5 days prior to Closing Date, Seller shall, up to the Permit Limit, have open and expired building permits identified by Buyer or known to Seller closed by the applicable governmental entity, and obtain and close any required building permits for improvements to the Property. Prior to Closing Date, Seller will provide Buyer with any written documentation that all open and expired building permits identified by Buyer or known to Seller have been closed out and that Seller has obtained and closed required building permits for improvements to the Property. If final permit inspections cannot be performed due to delays by the governmental entity, Closing Date shall be extended for up to 10 days to complete such final inspections, failing which, either party may terminate this Contract, and Buyer shall be refunded the Deposit, thereby releasing Buyer and Seller from all further obligations under this Contract.

If cost to close open or expired building permits or to remedy any permit violation of any governmental entity exceeds Permit Limit, then within 5 days after a party's receipt of estimates of cost to remedy: (A) Seller may elect to pay the excess by delivering written notice to Buyer; or (B) Buyer may deliver written notice to Seller accepting the Property in its "as is" condition with regard to building permit status and agreeing to receive credit from Seller at Closing in the amount of Permit Limit. If neither party delivers such written notice to the other, then either party may terminate this Contract and Buyer shall be refunded the Deposit, thereby releasing Buyer and Seller from all further obligations under this Contract.

(e) **WALK-THROUGH INSPECTION/RE-INSPECTION:** On the day prior to Closing Date, or on Closing Date prior to time of Closing, as specified by Buyer, Buyer or Buyer's representative may perform a walk-through (and follow-up walk-through, if necessary) inspection of the Property solely to confirm that all items of Personal Property are on the Property and to verify that Seller has maintained the Property as required by the Maintenance Requirement, has made repairs and replacements required by this Contract, and has met all other contractual obligations.

(f) **REPAIR STANDARDS; ASSIGNMENT OF REPAIR AND TREATMENT CONTRACTS AND WARRANTIES:** All repairs and replacements shall be completed in a good and workmanlike manner by an appropriately licensed person, in accordance with all requirements of law, and shall consist of materials or items of quality, value, capacity and performance comparable to, or better than, that existing as of the Effective Date. Except as provided in Paragraph 12(c)(ii), at Buyer's option and cost, Seller will, at Closing, assign all assignable repair, treatment and maintenance contracts and warranties to Buyer.

ESCROW AGENT AND BROKER

13. ESCROW AGENT: Any Closing Agent or Escrow Agent (collectively "Agent") receiving the Deposit, other funds and other items is authorized, and agrees by acceptance of them, to deposit them promptly, hold same in escrow within the State of Florida and, subject to Collection, disburse them in accordance with terms and conditions of this

Contract. Failure of funds to become Collected shall not excuse Buyer's performance. When conflicting demands for the Deposit are received, or Agent has a good faith doubt as to entitlement to the Deposit, Agent may take such actions permitted by this Paragraph 13, as Agent deems advisable. If in doubt as to Agent's duties or liabilities under this Contract, Agent may, at Agent's option, continue to hold the subject matter of the escrow until the parties agree to its disbursement or until a final judgment of a court of competent jurisdiction shall determine the rights of the parties, or Agent may deposit same with the clerk of the circuit court having jurisdiction of the dispute. An attorney who represents a party and also acts as Agent may represent such party in such action. Upon notifying all parties concerned of such action, all liability on the part of Agent shall fully terminate, except to the extent of accounting for any items previously delivered out of escrow. If a licensed real estate broker, Agent will comply with provisions of Chapter 475, F.S., as amended and FREC rules to timely resolve escrow disputes through mediation, arbitration, interpleader or an escrow disbursement order.

In any proceeding between Buyer and Seller wherein Agent is made a party because of acting as Agent hereunder, or in any proceeding where Agent interpleads the subject matter of the escrow, Agent shall recover reasonable attorney's fees and costs incurred, to be paid pursuant to court order out of the escrowed funds or equivalent. Agent shall not be liable to any party or person for mis-delivery of any escrowed items, unless such mis-delivery is due to Agent's willful breach of this Contract or Agent's gross negligence. This Paragraph 13 shall survive Closing or termination of this Contract.

14. PROFESSIONAL ADVICE; BROKER LIABILITY: Broker advises Buyer and Seller to verify Property condition, square footage, and all other facts and representations made pursuant to this Contract and to consult appropriate professionals for legal, tax, environmental, and other specialized advice concerning matters affecting the Property and the transaction contemplated by this Contract. Broker represents to Buyer that Broker does not reside on the Property and that all representations (oral, written or otherwise) by Broker are based on Seller representations or public records. **BUYER AGREES TO RELY SOLELY ON SELLER, PROFESSIONAL INSPECTORS AND GOVERNMENTAL AGENCIES FOR VERIFICATION OF PROPERTY CONDITION, SQUARE FOOTAGE AND FACTS THAT MATERIALLY AFFECT PROPERTY VALUE AND NOT ON THE REPRESENTATIONS (ORAL, WRITTEN OR OTHERWISE) OF BROKER.** Buyer and Seller (individually, the "Indemnifying Party") each individually indemnifies, holds harmless, and releases Broker and Broker's officers, directors, agents and employees from all liability for loss or damage, including all costs and expenses, and reasonable attorney's fees at all levels, suffered or incurred by Broker and Broker's officers, directors, agents and employees in connection with or arising from claims, demands or causes of action instituted by Buyer or Seller based on: (i) inaccuracy of information provided by the Indemnifying Party or from public records; (ii) Indemnifying Party's misstatement(s) or failure to perform contractual obligations; (iii) Broker's performance, at Indemnifying Party's request, of any task beyond the scope of services regulated by Chapter 475, F.S., as amended, including Broker's referral, recommendation or retention of any vendor for, or on behalf of, Indemnifying Party; (iv) products or services provided by any such vendor for, or on behalf of, Indemnifying Party; and (v) expenses incurred by any such vendor. Buyer and Seller each assumes full responsibility for selecting and compensating their respective vendors and paying their other costs under this Contract whether or not this transaction closes. This Paragraph 14 will not relieve Broker of statutory obligations under Chapter 475, F.S., as amended. For purposes of this Paragraph 14, Broker will be treated as a party to this Contract. This Paragraph 14 shall survive Closing or termination of this Contract.

DEFAULT AND DISPUTE RESOLUTION

15. DEFAULT:

- (a) **BUYER DEFAULT:** If Buyer fails, neglects or refuses to perform Buyer's obligations under this Contract, including payment of the Deposit, within the time(s) specified, Seller may elect to recover and retain the Deposit for the account of Seller as agreed upon liquidated damages, consideration for execution of this Contract, and in full settlement of any claims, whereupon Buyer and Seller shall be relieved from all further obligations under this Contract, or Seller, at Seller's option, may, pursuant to Paragraph 16, proceed in equity to enforce Seller's rights under this Contract.
- (b) **SELLER DEFAULT:** If for any reason other than failure of Seller to make Seller's title marketable after reasonable diligent effort, Seller fails, neglects or refuses to perform Seller's obligations under this Contract, Buyer may elect to receive return of Buyer's Deposit without thereby waiving any action for damages resulting from Seller's breach, and, pursuant to Paragraph 16, may seek to recover such damages or seek specific performance.

This Paragraph 15 shall survive Closing or termination of this Contract.

16. DISPUTE RESOLUTION: Unresolved controversies, claims and other matters in question between Buyer and Seller arising out of, or relating to, this Contract or its breach, enforcement or interpretation ("Dispute") will be settled as follows:

(a) Buyer and Seller will have 10 days after the date conflicting demands for the Deposit are made to attempt to resolve such Dispute, failing which, Buyer and Seller shall submit such Dispute to mediation under Paragraph 16(b).

(b) Buyer and Seller shall attempt to settle Disputes in an amicable manner through mediation pursuant to Florida Rules for Certified and Court-Appointed Mediators and Chapter 44, F.S., as amended (the "Mediation Rules"). The mediator must be certified or must have experience in the real estate industry. Injunctive relief may be sought without first complying with this Paragraph 16(b). Disputes not settled pursuant to this Paragraph 16 may be resolved by instituting action in the appropriate court having jurisdiction of the matter. This Paragraph 16 shall survive Closing or termination of this Contract.

17. ATTORNEY'S FEES; COSTS: The parties will split equally any mediation fee incurred in any mediation permitted by this Contract, and each party will pay their own costs, expenses and fees, including attorney's fees, incurred in conducting the mediation. In any litigation permitted by this Contract, the prevailing party shall be entitled to recover from the non-prevailing party costs and fees, including reasonable attorney's fees, incurred in conducting the litigation. This Paragraph 17 shall survive Closing or termination of this Contract.

STANDARDS FOR REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS ("STANDARDS")

18. STANDARDS:

A. TITLE:

(i) **TITLE EVIDENCE; RESTRICTIONS; EASEMENTS; LIMITATIONS:** Within the time period provided in Paragraph 9(c), the Title Commitment, with legible copies of instruments listed as exceptions attached thereto, shall be issued and delivered to Buyer. The Title Commitment shall set forth those matters to be discharged by Seller at or before Closing and shall provide that, upon recording of the deed to Buyer, an owner's policy of title insurance in the amount of the Purchase Price, shall be issued to Buyer insuring Buyer's marketable title to the Real Property, subject only to the following matters: (a) comprehensive land use plans, zoning, and other land use restrictions, prohibitions and requirements imposed by governmental authority; (b) restrictions and matters appearing on the Plat or otherwise common to the subdivision; (c) outstanding oil, gas and mineral rights of record without right of entry; (d) unplatted public utility easements of record (located contiguous to real property lines and not more than 10 feet in width as to rear or front lines and 7 1/2 feet in width as to side lines); (e) taxes for year of Closing and subsequent years; and (f) assumed mortgages and purchase money mortgages, if any (if additional items, attach addendum); provided, that, unless waived by Paragraph 12 (a), there exists at Closing no violation of the foregoing and none prevent use of the Property for **RESIDENTIAL PURPOSES**. If there exists at Closing any violation of items identified in (b) – (f) above, then the same shall be deemed a title defect. Marketable title shall be determined according to applicable Title Standards adopted by authority of The Florida Bar and in accordance with law.

(ii) **TITLE EXAMINATION:** Buyer shall have 5 days after receipt of Title Commitment to examine it and notify Seller in writing specifying defect(s), if any, that render title unmarketable. If Seller provides Title Commitment and it is delivered to Buyer less than 5 days prior to Closing Date, Buyer may extend Closing for up to 5 days after date of receipt to examine same in accordance with this STANDARD A. Seller shall have 30 days ("Cure Period") after receipt of Buyer's notice to take reasonable diligent efforts to remove defects. If Buyer fails to so notify Seller, Buyer shall be deemed to have accepted title as it then is. If Seller cures defects within Cure Period, Seller will deliver written notice to Buyer (with proof of cure acceptable to Buyer and Buyer's attorney) and the parties will close this Contract on Closing Date (or if Closing Date has passed, within 10 days after Buyer's receipt of Seller's notice). If Seller is unable to cure defects within Cure Period, then Buyer may, within 5 days after expiration of Cure Period, deliver written notice to Seller: (a) extending Cure Period for a specified period not to exceed 120 days within which Seller shall continue to use reasonable diligent effort to remove or cure the defects ("Extended Cure Period"); or (b) electing to accept title with existing defects and close this Contract on Closing Date (or if Closing Date has passed, within the earlier of 10 days after end of Extended Cure Period or Buyer's receipt of Seller's notice), or (c) electing to terminate this Contract and receive a refund of the Deposit, thereby releasing Buyer and Seller from all further obligations under this Contract. If after reasonable diligent effort, Seller is unable to timely cure defects, and Buyer does not waive the defects, this Contract shall terminate, and Buyer shall receive a refund of the Deposit, thereby releasing Buyer and Seller from all further obligations under this Contract.

B. SURVEY: If Survey discloses encroachments on the Real Property or that improvements located thereon encroach on setback lines, easements, or lands of others, or violate any restrictions, covenants, or applicable governmental regulations described in STANDARD A (i)(a), (b) or (d) above, Buyer shall deliver written notice of such matters, together with a copy of Survey, to Seller within 5 days after Buyer's receipt of Survey, but no later than Closing. If Buyer timely delivers such notice and Survey to Seller, such matters identified in the notice and Survey shall constitute a title defect, subject to cure obligations of STANDARD A above. If Seller has delivered a

prior survey, Seller shall, at Buyer's request, execute an affidavit of "no change" to the Real Property since the preparation of such prior survey, to the extent the affirmations therein are true and correct.

C. INGRESS AND EGRESS: Seller represents that there is ingress and egress to the Real Property and title to the Real Property is insurable in accordance with STANDARD A without exception for lack of legal right of access.

D. LEASE INFORMATION: Seller shall, at least 10 days prior to Closing, furnish to Buyer estoppel letters from tenant(s)/occupant(s) specifying nature and duration of occupancy, rental rates, advanced rent and security deposits paid by tenant(s) or occupant(s) ("Estoppel Letter(s)"). If Seller is unable to obtain such Estoppel Letter(s) the same information shall be furnished by Seller to Buyer within that time period in the form of a Seller's affidavit, and Buyer may thereafter contact tenant(s) or occupant(s) to confirm such information. If Estoppel Letter(s) or Seller's affidavit, if any, differ materially from Seller's representations and lease(s) provided pursuant to Paragraph 6, or if tenant(s)/occupant(s) fail or refuse to confirm Seller's affidavit, Buyer may deliver written notice to Seller within 5 days after receipt of such information, but no later than 5 days prior to Closing Date, terminating this Contract and receive a refund of the Deposit, thereby releasing Buyer and Seller from all further obligations under this Contract. Seller shall, at Closing, deliver and assign all leases to Buyer who shall assume Seller's obligations thereunder.

E. LIENS: Seller shall furnish to Buyer at Closing an affidavit attesting (i) to the absence of any financing statement, claims of lien or potential lienors known to Seller and (ii) that there have been no improvements or repairs to the Real Property for 90 days immediately preceding Closing Date. If the Real Property has been improved or repaired within that time, Seller shall deliver releases or waivers of construction liens executed by all general contractors, subcontractors, suppliers and materialmen in addition to Seller's lien affidavit setting forth names of all such general contractors, subcontractors, suppliers and materialmen, further affirming that all charges for improvements or repairs which could serve as a basis for a construction lien or a claim for damages have been paid or will be paid at Closing.

F. TIME: Time is of the essence in this Contract. Calendar days, based on where the Property is located, shall be used in computing time periods. Other than time for acceptance and Effective Date as set forth in Paragraph 3, any time periods provided for or dates specified in this Contract, whether preprinted, handwritten, typewritten or inserted herein, which shall end or occur on a Saturday, Sunday, national legal public holiday (as defined in 5 U.S.C. Sec. 6103(a)), or a day on which a national legal public holiday is observed because it fell on a Saturday or Sunday, shall extend to the next calendar day which is not a Saturday, Sunday, national legal public holiday, or a day on which a national legal public holiday is observed.

G. FORCE MAJEURE: Buyer or Seller shall not be required to exercise or perform any right or obligation under this Contract or be liable to each other for damages so long as performance or non-performance of the right or obligation, or the availability of services, insurance, or required approvals essential to Closing, is disrupted, delayed, caused or prevented by a Force Majeure event. "Force Majeure" means: hurricanes, floods, extreme weather, earthquakes, fires, or other acts of God, unusual transportation delays, wars, insurrections, civil unrest, or acts of terrorism, governmental actions and mandates, government shut downs, epidemics, or pandemics, which, by exercise of reasonable diligent effort, the non-performing party is unable in whole or in part to prevent or overcome. The Force Majeure event will be deemed to have begun on the first day the effect of the Force Majeure prevents performance, non-performance, or the availability of services, insurance or required approvals essential to Closing. All time periods affected by the Force Majeure event, including Closing Date, will be extended a reasonable time up to 7 days after the Force Majeure event no longer prevents performance under this Contract; provided, however, if such Force Majeure event continues to prevent performance under this Contract more than 30 days beyond Closing Date, then either party may terminate this Contract by delivering written notice to the other and the Deposit shall be refunded to Buyer, thereby releasing Buyer and Seller from all further obligations under this Contract.

H. CONVEYANCE: Seller shall convey marketable title to the Real Property by statutory warranty, trustee's, personal representative's, or guardian's deed, as appropriate to the status of Seller, subject only to matters described in STANDARD A and those accepted by Buyer. Personal Property shall, at request of Buyer, be transferred by absolute bill of sale with warranty of title, subject only to such matters as may be provided for in this Contract.

I. CLOSING LOCATION; DOCUMENTS; AND PROCEDURE:

(i) **LOCATION:** Closing will be conducted by the attorney or other closing agent ("Closing Agent") designated by the party paying for the owner's policy of title insurance and will take place in the county where the Real Property is located at the office of the Closing Agent, or at such other location agreed to by the parties. If there is no title insurance, Seller will designate Closing Agent. Closing may be conducted by mail, overnight courier, or electronic means.

(ii) **CLOSING DOCUMENTS:** Seller shall, at or prior to Closing, execute and deliver, as applicable, deed, bill of sale, certificate(s) of title or other documents necessary to transfer title to the Property, construction lien affidavit(s), owner's possession and no lien affidavit(s), and assignment(s) of leases. Seller shall provide Buyer with paid

receipts for all work done on the Property pursuant to this Contract. Buyer shall furnish and pay for, as applicable, the survey, flood elevation certification, and documents required by Buyer's lender.

(iii) **FinCEN GTO REPORTING OBLIGATION.** If Closing Agent is required to comply with a U.S. Treasury Department's Financial Crimes Enforcement Network ("FinCEN") Geographic Targeting Order ("GTO"), then Buyer shall provide Closing Agent with essential information and documentation related to Buyer and its Beneficial Owners, including photo identification, and related to the transaction contemplated by this Contract which are required to complete mandatory reporting including the Currency Transaction Report; and Buyer consents to Closing Agent's collection and report of said information to IRS.

(iv) **PROCEDURE:** The deed shall be recorded upon Collection of all closing funds. If the Title Commitment provides insurance against adverse matters pursuant to Section 627.7841, F.S., as amended, the escrow closing procedure required by STANDARD J shall be waived, and Closing Agent shall, **subject to Collection of all closing funds**, disburse at Closing the brokerage fees to Broker and the net sale proceeds to Seller.

J. ESCROW CLOSING PROCEDURE: If Title Commitment issued pursuant to Paragraph 9(c) does not provide for insurance against adverse matters as permitted under Section 627.7841, F.S., as amended, the following escrow and closing procedures shall apply: (1) all Closing proceeds shall be held in escrow by the Closing Agent for a period of not more than 10 days after Closing; (2) if Seller's title is rendered unmarketable, through no fault of Buyer, Buyer shall, within the 10 day period, notify Seller in writing of the defect and Seller shall have 30 days from date of receipt of such notification to cure the defect; (3) if Seller fails to timely cure the defect, the Deposit and all Closing funds paid by Buyer shall, within 5 days after written demand by Buyer, be refunded to Buyer and, simultaneously with such repayment, Buyer shall return the Personal Property, vacate the Real Property and re-convey the Property to Seller by special warranty deed and bill of sale; and (4) if Buyer fails to make timely demand for refund of the Deposit, Buyer shall take title as is, waiving all rights against Seller as to any intervening defect except as may be available to Buyer by virtue of warranties contained in the deed or bill of sale.

K. PRORATIONS; CREDITS: The following recurring items will be made current (if applicable) and prorated as of the day prior to Closing Date, or date of occupancy if occupancy occurs before Closing Date: real estate taxes (including special benefit tax assessments imposed by a CDD pursuant to Chapter 190, F.S., and assessments imposed by special district(s) pursuant to Chapter 189, F.S.), interest, bonds, association fees, insurance, rents and other expenses of Property. Buyer shall have option of taking over existing policies of insurance, if assumable, in which event premiums shall be prorated. Cash at Closing shall be increased or decreased as may be required by prorations to be made through day prior to Closing. Advance rent and security deposits, if any, will be credited to Buyer. Escrow deposits held by Seller's mortgagee will be paid to Seller. Taxes shall be prorated based on current year's tax. If Closing occurs on a date when current year's millage is not fixed but current year's assessment is available, taxes will be prorated based upon such assessment and prior year's millage. If current year's assessment is not available, then taxes will be prorated on prior year's tax. If there are completed improvements on the Real Property by January 1st of year of Closing, which improvements were not in existence on January 1st of prior year, then taxes shall be prorated based upon prior year's millage and at an equitable assessment to be agreed upon between the parties, failing which, request shall be made to the County Property Appraiser for an informal assessment taking into account available exemptions. In all cases, due allowance shall be made for the maximum allowable discounts and applicable homestead and other exemptions. A tax proration based on an estimate shall, at either party's request, be readjusted upon receipt of current year's tax bill. This STANDARD K shall survive Closing.

L. ACCESS TO PROPERTY TO CONDUCT APPRAISALS, INSPECTIONS, AND WALK-THROUGH: Seller shall, upon reasonable notice, provide utilities service and access to Property for appraisals and inspections, including a walk-through (or follow-up walk-through if necessary) prior to Closing.

M. RISK OF LOSS: If, after Effective Date, but before Closing, Property is damaged by fire or other casualty ("Casualty Loss") and cost of restoration (which shall include cost of pruning or removing damaged trees) does not exceed 1.5% of Purchase Price, cost of restoration shall be an obligation of Seller and Closing shall proceed pursuant to terms of this Contract. If restoration is not completed as of Closing, a sum equal to 125% of estimated cost to complete restoration (not to exceed 1.5% of Purchase Price) will be escrowed at Closing. If actual cost of restoration exceeds escrowed amount, Seller shall pay such actual costs (but, not in excess of 1.5% of Purchase Price). Any unused portion of escrowed amount shall be returned to Seller. If cost of restoration exceeds 1.5% of Purchase Price, Buyer shall elect to either take Property "as is" together with the 1.5%, or receive a refund of the Deposit thereby releasing Buyer and Seller from all further obligations under this Contract. Seller's sole obligation with respect to tree damage by casualty or other natural occurrence shall be cost of pruning or removal.

N. 1031 EXCHANGE: If either Seller or Buyer wish to enter into a like-kind exchange (either simultaneously with Closing or deferred) under Section 1031 of the Internal Revenue Code ("Exchange"), the other party shall cooperate in all reasonable respects to effectuate the Exchange, including execution of documents; provided, however,

cooperating party shall incur no liability or expense related to the Exchange, and Closing shall not be contingent upon, nor extended or delayed by, such Exchange.

O. CONTRACT NOT RECORDABLE; PERSONS BOUND; NOTICE; DELIVERY; COPIES; CONTRACT EXECUTION: Neither this Contract nor any notice of it shall be recorded in any public or official records. This Contract shall be binding on, and inure to the benefit of, the parties and their respective heirs or successors in interest. Whenever the context permits, singular shall include plural and one gender shall include all. Notice and delivery given by or to the attorney or broker (including such broker's real estate licensee) representing any party shall be as effective as if given by or to that party. All notices must be in writing and may only be made by mail, facsimile transmission, personal delivery or email. A facsimile or electronic copy of this Contract and any signatures hereon shall be considered for all purposes as an original. This Contract may be executed by use of electronic signatures, as determined by Florida's Electronic Signature Act and other applicable laws.

P. INTEGRATION; MODIFICATION: This Contract contains the full and complete understanding and agreement of Buyer and Seller with respect to the transaction contemplated by this Contract and no prior agreements or representations shall be binding upon Buyer or Seller unless included in this Contract. No modification to or change in this Contract shall be valid or binding upon Buyer or Seller unless in writing and executed by the parties intended to be bound by it.

Q. WAIVER: Failure of Buyer or Seller to insist on compliance with, or strict performance of, any provision of this Contract, or to take advantage of any right under this Contract, shall not constitute a waiver of other provisions or rights.

R. RIDERS; ADDENDA; TYPEWRITTEN OR HANDWRITTEN PROVISIONS: Riders, addenda, and typewritten or handwritten provisions shall control all printed provisions of this Contract in conflict with them.

S. COLLECTION or COLLECTED: "Collection" or "Collected" means any checks tendered or received, including Deposits, have become actually and finally collected and deposited in the account of Escrow Agent or Closing Agent. Closing and disbursement of funds and delivery of closing documents may be delayed by Closing Agent until such amounts have been Collected in Closing Agent's accounts.

T. RESERVED.

U. APPLICABLE LAW AND VENUE: This Contract shall be construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Florida and venue for resolution of all disputes, whether by mediation, arbitration or litigation, shall lie in the county where the Real Property is located.

V. FIRPTA TAX WITHHOLDING: If a seller of U.S. real property is a "foreign person" as defined by FIRPTA, Section 1445 of the Internal Revenue Code ("Code") requires the buyer of the real property to withhold up to 15% of the amount realized by the seller on the transfer and remit the withheld amount to the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) unless an exemption to the required withholding applies or the seller has obtained a Withholding Certificate from the IRS authorizing a reduced amount of withholding.

(i) No withholding is required under Section 1445 of the Code if the Seller is not a "foreign person". Seller can provide proof of non-foreign status to Buyer by delivery of written certification signed under penalties of perjury, stating that Seller is not a foreign person and containing Seller's name, U.S. taxpayer identification number and home address (or office address, in the case of an entity), as provided for in 26 CFR 1.1445-2(b). Otherwise, Buyer shall withhold the applicable percentage of the amount realized by Seller on the transfer and timely remit said funds to the IRS.

(ii) If Seller is a foreign person and has received a Withholding Certificate from the IRS which provides for reduced or eliminated withholding in this transaction and provides same to Buyer by Closing, then Buyer shall withhold the reduced sum required, if any, and timely remit said funds to the IRS.

(iii) If prior to Closing Seller has submitted a completed application to the IRS for a Withholding Certificate and has provided to Buyer the notice required by 26 CFR 1.1445-1(c) (2)(i)(B) but no Withholding Certificate has been received as of Closing, Buyer shall, at Closing, withhold the applicable percentage of the amount realized by Seller on the transfer and, at Buyer's option, either (a) timely remit the withheld funds to the IRS or (b) place the funds in escrow, at Seller's expense, with an escrow agent selected by Buyer and pursuant to terms negotiated by the parties, to be subsequently disbursed in accordance with the Withholding Certificate issued by the IRS or remitted directly to the IRS if the Seller's application is rejected or upon terms set forth in the escrow agreement.

(iv) In the event the net proceeds due Seller are not sufficient to meet the withholding requirement(s) in this transaction, Seller shall deliver to Buyer, at Closing, the additional Collected funds necessary to satisfy the applicable requirement and thereafter Buyer shall timely remit said funds to the IRS or escrow the funds for disbursement in accordance with the final determination of the IRS, as applicable.

(v) Upon remitting funds to the IRS pursuant to this STANDARD, Buyer shall provide Seller copies of IRS Forms 8288 and 8288-A, as filed.

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ADDENDA AND ADDITIONAL TERMS

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19. ADDENDA: The following additional terms are included in the attached addenda or riders and incorporated into this Contract (**Check if applicable**):

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| <input type="checkbox"/> B. Homeowners' Assn. | <input type="checkbox"/> P. Lead Paint Disclosure (Pre-1978) | <input type="checkbox"/> BB. Binding Arbitration |
| <input type="checkbox"/> C. Seller Financing | <input type="checkbox"/> Q. Housing for Older Persons | <input type="checkbox"/> CC. Miami-Dade County
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20. ADDITIONAL TERMS: _____

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COUNTER-OFFER

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695 **THIS IS INTENDED TO BE A LEGALLY BINDING CONTRACT. IF NOT FULLY UNDERSTOOD, SEEK THE ADVICE**
696 **OF AN ATTORNEY PRIOR TO SIGNING.**

697 **THIS FORM HAS BEEN APPROVED BY THE FLORIDA REALTORS AND THE FLORIDA BAR.**

698 *Approval of this form by the Florida Realtors and The Florida Bar does not constitute an opinion that any of the terms*
699 *and conditions in this Contract should be accepted by the parties in a particular transaction. Terms and conditions*
700 *should be negotiated based upon the respective interests, objectives and bargaining positions of all interested persons.*

701 AN ASTERISK (*) FOLLOWING A LINE NUMBER IN THE MARGIN INDICATES THE LINE CONTAINS A BLANK TO
702 BE COMPLETED.

703 **ATTENTION: SELLER AND BUYER**

704 **CONVEYANCES TO FOREIGN BUYERS:** Part III of Chapter 692, Sections 692.201 - 692.205, Florida Statutes, 2023
705 (the "Act"), in part, limits and regulates the sale, purchase and ownership of certain Florida properties by certain buyers
706 who are associated with a "foreign country of concern", namely: the People's Republic of China, the Russian
707 Federation, the Islamic Republic of Iran, the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, the Republic of Cuba, the
708 Venezuelan regime of Nicolás Maduro, or the Syrian Arab Republic. **It is a crime to buy or knowingly sell property**
709 **in violation of the Act.**

710 **At time of purchase, Buyer must provide a signed affidavit which complies with the requirements of the Act.**
711 **Seller and Buyer are advised to seek legal counsel regarding their respective obligations and liabilities under the Act.**

712 * Buyer: _____ Date: _____

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716 Buyer's address for purposes of notice Seller's address for purposes of notice

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720 **BROKER:** Listing and Cooperating Brokers, if any, named below (collectively, "Broker"), are the only Brokers entitled
721 to compensation in connection with this Contract. Instruction to Closing Agent: Seller and Buyer direct Closing Agent to
722 disburse at Closing the full amount of the brokerage fees as specified in separate brokerage agreements with the parties
723 and cooperative agreements between the Brokers, except to the extent Broker has retained such fees from the
724 escrowed funds. This Contract shall not modify any offer of compensation made by Seller or Listing Broker to
725 Cooperating Brokers.

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727 **Cooperating Sales Associate, if any** **Listing Sales Associate**

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'A PERMIT BY ANY OTHER NAME'...THE PROBLEM OF PERMITS

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That famous bard, William Shakespeare, once declared, "What's in a name? That which we call a rose by any other name would smell as sweet." And for most real estate practitioners, when they discover an open or expired permit, or unpermitted improvements, they want to name such matters a lien that needs to be cleared for a real estate closing. However when it comes to open or expired permits, or unpermitted improvements, that simply is not the case.

Perhaps a little background is useful in understanding why this view of permits and unpermitted improvements persists. In the not too long ago past, checking for such matters was not something that a real estate practitioner would always do as part of their process in closing a real estate transaction, but such searches are becoming more and more routine. In addition, many counties and municipalities have computerized their records and memorialized untold numbers of permits that were never signed off by the necessary official for which the county or municipality has no intention of ever pursuing, and with the ease of the internet, public access to such information is now commonplace. This article will address why open or expired or unpermitted permits are excluded from coverage under a title policy and how a real estate practitioner can address permit problems in real estate transactions.

Title Insurance. Open or expired permits, and unpermitted improvements, are specifically excluded from coverage under the terms of the policy jacket. Paragraph 1(a) of the 2006 ALTA form policy specifically excludes from coverage, "Any law, ordinance, permit, or governmental regulation (including those relating to building and zoning,

restricting, regulating, prohibiting, or relating to (i) the occupancy, use or enjoyment of the Land; (ii) the character, dimensions, or location of any improvement erected on the Land; (iii) the subdivision of land, or (iv) environmental protection; of the effect of any violation of these laws." It is important to note that this exclusion from coverage does not modify or limit the coverage under Covered Risk 5 of the policy, "if a notice, describing any part of the Land, is recorded in the Public Records." Absent a recorded notice regarding a violation of, or intention to enforce, an open or expired permit, or unpermitted improvements, a policy can be issued without exception for such matters. Even where an open or expired permit or unpermitted improvement are not title issues, such matters come back and cause problems for real estate practitioners because sellers who were former clients in the past may accuse them of improperly representing or advising them in past closings of real estate transactions. Therefore a real estate practitioner should address them and take steps to resolve any complications that may arise in a present closing transaction.

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Real Estate Contract. The most recent contract (revised June 2010) approved by the Florida Realtors, the professional arm of Florida's real estate industry, and The Florida Bar now addresses this problematic issue for real estate practitioners in paragraphs 9(a) and 12(d) of the new contract form. These provisions were in response to the building permit problems encountered in a real estate transaction. Prior versions of the contract provided that title would be conveyed subject to requirements imposed by governmental authorities, of which open and expired permits or unpermitted improvements constituted a violation, however in many transactions the status of building permit activities were often overlooked or never investigated. A buyer could be confronted with a notice of violation for an open or expired permit or unpermitted improvements long after the closing had occurred, leaving the buyer with little or no recourse against the prior owner. Often an "after the fact" permit is required due to a previously issued permit was not closed through a final inspection and approval by the appropriate building official. Curing an existing violation for open or expired permits or unpermitted improvements typically requires the hiring of a contractor, submissions of plans and specifications, inspections, and corrections of any building code violations, all at a great cost to an unsuspecting new owner.

Paragraph 9(a) in the new contract establishes a monetary limit, referred to as the "Permit Limit," on the seller's obligation to cure building permit issues. The contract allows the insertion of monetary or percentage limits *for costs associated with closing out open permit or expired building permits and obtaining required building permits for any existing improvement for which a permit was not obtained.* If no amount or percentages are inserted, the "Permit Limit" defaults to 1.5 percent of the purchase price. Where the seller is unable to remediate permitting problems prior to closing, the seller is required to escrow an amount at closing equal to 125 percent of the estimated cost to resolve the problem but not exceeding the permit limit as previously set forth in paragraph 9(a).

Paragraph 12(d) provides for inspections relating to open or expired or unpermitted improvements. It is the buyer's obligation to initiate the permit inspection. County and city building departments, as well as some county property appraiser offices, can provide information concerning the status of permits.

The buyer, within the inspection period as set forth in the contract, must complete their investigation and deliver written notice to the seller if there are any open or expired permits or unpermitted improvements. If the buyer gives timely and proper notice to the seller of the existence of any open or expired or unpermitted improvements, the seller has five days from the date of receipt of the buyer's notice to obtain an estimate of costs to remedy the permit inspection item by an appropriately licensed person. The seller is then given a time period, no later than five days prior to closing, in which to have open or expired building permits identified by the buyer, or known to the seller, closed by the applicable governmental authority and further to obtain and close any required building permits for unpermitted improvements on the property. The contract provides that *if final permit inspections cannot be performed due to delays by the governmental entity, the closing date shall be extended for up to 10 days to complete such final inspection, failing which, either party may terminate the contract.* It is important to note that the extension of the closing date under this paragraph is very narrow in its' application and only applies if the failure to obtain final inspections is due to delays by the governmental entity.

The provisions of paragraph 12(d) also address the situation where the cost to close open or expired permits or to remedy any permit exceeds the initial cost estimate. If the cost estimate exceeds the Permit Limit set forth in paragraph 9(a), then within five days of the receipt of the cost estimate, the seller may elect to pay the excess by delivering written notice to buyer, or the buyer may deliver written notice to seller accepting the property in its "as-is" condition with regard to building permit status and agreeing to receive a credit from seller at closing in the amount of the permit limit. If neither party delivers written notice as required, then either party may terminate the contract. A note of caution to real estate practitioners concerning timing and obligations between the parties under contract. While the provisions of paragraph 12(d) regarding remediation of open or expired or unpermitted improvements provides for an extension of ten days due to delays by the governmental entity, this may appear to be inconsistent with the concept of permitting an escrow of an amount at closing equal to 125 percent of the estimated cost to resolve a permit problem under paragraph 9(a). If the seller is unable to meet the seller's responsibility to resolve permitting issues, the estimated costs could be escrowed at closing with the efforts to resolve those problems

continuing after closing. The inability of the seller to obtain the necessary approval from the appropriate governmental authority prior to closing would appear to be such a situation anticipated under paragraph 9(a) but seems to be inconsistent with the ability to terminate the contract under paragraph 12(d). This illustrates all the more reason why a closing agent should diligently address permitting issues and take steps to contractually resolve any complications that may arise in a closing transaction.

Conclusion. The Fund has produced and printed a Contract Preparation Manual which was created through the combined efforts of The Florida Bar and the Florida Realtors, edited by attorney Steve L. Henderson. The Manual is available for purchase through the Fund's website. In addition, the Legal Education Department of the Fund holds a seminar entitled "Understanding & Using Residential Real Estate Contracts for Sale & Purchase." Please check your Fund seminar schedule or contact the Education Registrar (800-407-7775) for the next seminar presentation. □



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