VALLEY STREAM
PLAT 4

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DECLARATION OF RESTRICTIONS

WHEREAS, The Title Guarantee and Trust Company, an Ohio corporation, as Trustee, hereinafter called "Owner," is the owner of Lots 144 through 198, inclusive, being all the lots in Valley Stream Subdivision Plat 4, a Subdivision in Springfield Township, Lucas County, Ohio, designated on a plat of said subdivision recorded in Volume 81 at Pages 12 and 13 of the Lucas County, Ohio Plat Records; and

WHEREAS, The Ohio Citizens Trust Company, hereinafter called "Mortgagee," is the holder of a certain mortgage on certain of said lots recorded as Microfiche No. 79 050 CDS in the Lucas County Mortgage Records; and

WHEREAS, it is desired to develop Valley Stream Subdivision Plat 4 as an attractive and pleasant subdivision to the benefit of future owners of lots therein and other residents of Springfield Township and for such purpose to establish restrictions and an Architectural Control Committee.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the premises and in consideration of the enhancement in value thereof and to afford purchaser protection in the use and occupancy thereof for the purpose of which the same are designated and to provide a uniform plan for the improvement, development, use, occupancy and enjoyment of said Valley Stream Subdivision Plat 4 as an architecturally harmonious, artistic and desirable subdivision, the Owner and the Mortgagee, for themselves, their respective successors and assigns, hereby stipulate and declare that each lot and parcel in said Valley Stream Subdivision Plat 4 shall hereafter be conveyed by it and its successors and assigns subject to the restrictions hereinafter set forth:

1. An Architectural Control Committee is hereby established consisting of William J. Kennedy, Maury I. Kaplin and William C. Mitchell.
2. The members of said Architectural Control Committee shall serve until their incapacity, resignation or death. Upon the incapacity, resignation or death of a member of the Architectural Control Committee, his successor shall be appointed by the remaining members of the Committee within six (6) months of the incapacity, death or resignation of a member. In the event of the incapacity, resignation or death of a member of the Committee, and his successor is not appointed within six (6) months thereafter, the successor member shall be appointed by the owners of a majority of the lots in said subdivision.

3. The lots located within Valley Stream Subdivision Plat 4 shall be used for such purposes as are permitted by present zoning of Springfield Township. No lot shall be used for any purpose not presently permitted by the zoning of Springfield Township without approval of the Architectural Control Committee; this provision is intended to and shall prohibit a change of presently permitted use by change of zoning without approval of the Architectural Control Committee.

4. Single family dwellings shall have a minimum of 1,000 square footage of liveable area exclusive of porches and shall have an attached or an integral garage with space for not less than two (2) automobiles.

5. No building, basement, swimming pool, tennis court, fence, wall, hedge, or other enclosure, or any utility meter, or other structure of any sort shall be erected, placed or maintained on any lot in said subdivision nor shall any change, addition to or alteration thereof affecting the outward appearance thereof be made unless the same shall be in accordance with detailed plans and specifications therefor showing the size, location, type, architectural
design, quality, cost, use and material of construction thereof, the color scheme therefor, the grading plan of the lot, and the finished grade elevation thereof, which detailed plans and specifications have first been approved in writing by the Architectural Control Committee. All such plans and specifications must be prepared by a competent architect or draftsman. If the Architectural Control Committee shall fail to approve or disapprove any proposed plans and specifications within thirty (30) days after the same shall have been submitted to it for approval, such plans and specifications shall be deemed to have received the approval of said Committee.

6. In requiring the submission of detailed plans and specifications as herein set forth, the parties hereto have in mind the development of said subdivision as an architecturally harmonious, artistic and desirable residential subdivision and in approving or withholding its approval of any detailed plans and specifications so submitted, the Architectural Control Committee, or its successors and assigns, may consider the appropriateness of the improvement contemplated with relation to improvements on contiguous or adjacent lots, its artistic and architectural merits, its adaptability to the lot on which it is proposed to be made, and such other matters as may be deemed to be in the interest and benefit of the owners of the lots in said subdivision as a whole and any determination made by the Architectural Control Committee in good faith shall be binding on all parties in interest.

7. No structure or any part thereof, other than a fence, hedge, wall, or other enclosure which shall first have been approved as provided in paragraph 5 above, shall be erected, placed or maintained on any lot nearer to the front or street line or lines than
the building setback line or lines shown on the recorded plat. No structure of any sort shall be erected, placed or maintained on any lot nearer to any side lot line or rear lot line than shall be required by the appropriate zoning and building requirements of Springfield Township.

8. No portion of any residential lot or structure thereon shall be used or permitted to be used for any business purpose whatsoever and no noxious, offensive, or unreasonably disturbing activity shall be carried on upon any part or in any part of said subdivision, nor shall anything be done thereon which may be or become an annoyance or nuisance in said subdivision.

9. No trailer, basement, tent, shack, garage, barn, house, car, or other temporary shelter or housing device shall be maintained or used as a residence, temporarily or permanently, in said subdivision. No dwelling erected in said subdivision shall be used as a residence until the exterior thereof has been completed in accordance with the detailed plans and specifications approved therefor as provided in paragraph 5 above.

10. No clotheslines shall be located on any lot except for a removable folding umbrella type.

11. Any truck, boat, bus, tent, house car, camper, trailer or other similar housing or recreational device, if stored on any said lot, shall be housed within a garage building.

12. Said premises shall not be used for the storage of automobiles, trailers, scrap, scrap iron, water, paper, or glass, or any reclamation products or material except that during the period an improvement is being erected upon any such lot, building materials to be used in the construction of such improvement may be stored thereon; provided, however, any building material not incorporated
in said improvement within ninety (90) days after its delivery to such lot shall be removed therefrom. All improvements must be completed by an owner within one (1) year from the date of the beginning of the construction thereof. No sod, dirt or gravel other than incidental to construction of approved improvements, shall be removed from said lots without the written approval of the Architectural Control Committee and its successors and assigns.

13. No portion of any lot nearer to any street than the building setback line or lines shown upon the recorded plat of said subdivision shall be used for any purpose other than that of a lawn; provided, however, this covenant shall not be construed to prevent the use of such portion of said lot for walks, drives, trees, shrubbery, flowers, flower beds, ornamental plants, statuary, fountains, fence, hedge, wall or other enclosure which shall first have been approved as provided in paragraph 5 above for the purpose of beautifying said lot, but shall be construed to prohibit the planting or maintaining of vegetables and grains thereon.

14. No weeds, underbrush, or other unsightly growths or objects of any kind, shall be placed, be permitted to grow, or suffer to remain on any part of said premises. No trash burner, outdoor fireplace, or other device expelling gas or smoke shall be placed within twenty (20) feet of any adjoining lot line.

15. Television antennas shall be attached to the exterior of any residence and shall not extend more than four (4) feet above the ridge line of any residence. No towers will be permitted.

16. Any tanks for the storage of propane gas or fuel oil shall be located and buried beneath the ground level; provided, however, propane tanks for service to the entire subdivision may be located above ground.
17. The Architectural Control Committee shall have the right in the event of any action or condition which the Architectural Control Committee or their successors and assigns determine to be in violation of these restrictions to enter the property upon which such violation is deemed by it to exist and to summarily abate and remove at the expense of the owner thereof the structure or condition deemed by it to be in violation hereof, and said Architectural Control Committee or their successors and assigns shall not by reason thereof be guilty in any manner of trespass for such entry, abatement or removal or liable for damages by reason thereof to any person whosoever. Any failure to enforce these restrictions shall not be deemed a waiver thereof or any acquiescence in or consent to any continuing, further or succeeding violation hereof. If, in the opinion of the Architectural Control Committee by reason of the shape, dimensions or topography of a particular lot in the subdivision, enforcement of these restrictions with respect to size of structure would constitute a hardship, the Architectural Control Committee may permit a variation which will in its judgment be in keeping with the maintenance of this subdivision as a desirable subdivision.

18. The Architectural Control Committee shall have the sole and exclusive right to establish grades and slopes on all lots in said subdivision and to fix the grade at which any residence shall hereafter be erected or placed thereon so that the same may conform to the general plan of development. All such grades and slopes shall be established on the engineering plans submitted to and approved by the Architectural Control Committee.

19. All rubbish and debris, combustible and non-combustible, and all garbage shall be stored in underground containers,
or stored and maintained in containers entirely within the garage or basement. However, rubbish, debris, combustible and non-combustible, and garbage may be stored in outside containers if approved by the Architectural Control Committee. Additional regulations for the storage, maintenance, and disposal of rubbish, debris, leaves and garbage may from time to time be established by the Architectural Control Committee or their successors and assigns.

20. No well for the production of gas, water, oil or otherwise, whether intended for temporary or permanent purposes, shall be drilled or maintained on any lot, nor shall such premises be otherwise used in any way which may endanger the health or unreasonably disturb the peaceable use of adjoining premises.

21. Any violation or attempt to violate any of the covenants or restrictions herein while the same are in force shall be unlawful. Any other person or persons owning any lot in said subdivision may prosecute any proceedings at law or in equity against the person or persons violating or attempting to violate any such covenants or restrictions to prevent him or them from so doing to cause the removal of any violation and to recover damages or other dues for such violation or attempted violation.

22. All transfers and conveyances of each and every lot of said subdivision shall be made subject to these covenants and restrictions.

23. These covenants and restrictions shall be taken to be real covenants running with the land and shall be binding upon all parties, persons and corporations owning or acquiring land in said subdivision and their heirs, executors, administrators, successors and assigns until December 31, 1997, and these restrictions shall be automatically extended in their entirety for successive
periods of ten (10) years unless by appropriate instrument in writing and consenting to their termination in whole or in part shall be filed for record, executed and acknowledged by the owners of not less than a majority of the lots.

24. Only the lots contained in said Valley Stream Subdivision Plat 4 shall be subject to and bound by the restrictions, covenants, and conditions set out in this instrument and none of said provisions shall in any manner affect or be operative in respect of any other lands of the Owner or its successors or assigns.

25. Any and all of the rights, powers, duties and obligations which, in this instrument are assumed by, reserved to or given to the Architectural Control Committee, may be assigned or transferred to any one or more corporations or associations which will agree to assume said rights, powers, duties and obligations and carry out and perform the same. Any such assignment or transfer shall be made by appropriate instrument in writing in which the assignee or transferee shall join for the purpose of evidencing its acceptance of such rights, powers, duties and obligations, which instrument shall be recorded and such assignee or transferee shall thereupon have the same rights and powers and be subject to the same obligations and duties as are herein given to and assumed by said Architectural Control Committee. In the event of such assignment or transfer, the assignor or transferor and its successors and assigns of said Architectural Control Committee, shall thereupon be released from all the rights, powers, duties and obligations in this instrument reserved to or given to and assumed by said Architectural Control Committee. The right of assignment hereby reserved to the Architectural Control Committee is so reserved to the end that the rights, powers, duties and obligations reserved or given to it may be assigned to an association or corporation
formed by the owners of lots in said subdivision or in said subdivision together with contiguous subdivisions, for the purpose of accepting said assignment; and such assignment may be made at such time as the Architectural Control Committee may determine. Whenever in this instrument reference is made to said Architectural Control Committee, such reference shall be deemed to include the successors and assigns of said Committee.

26. Any corporation or association which may be the transferee or assignee as provided in the preceding paragraph shall be empowered to levy, assess and collect for the preservation, maintenance, improvement and care of areas designated on said plat as a park and for the boulevard shown on said plat an amount not to exceed $25.00 per year for each and every lot in said subdivision in the event that the appropriate governmental unit does not provide such services or to supplement any such governmental services; provided, however, that the maximum amount which can be levied, assessed and collected against any one lot in any one year may be increased or decreased from said $25.00 in proportion to any increase or decrease in the Consumer Price Index of the Bureau of Labor Statistics from the base of February, 1978. Any amount so assessed or levied shall become a lien on each lot. In the event any amount so assessed or levied is not paid when due and remains in arrears for more than sixty (60) days, such corporation or association may cause to be filed with the Lucas County Recorder a Notice of Lien describing the lot and the amount due and executed in accordance with the formalities then required to record a lien against real estate.

27. It is expressly agreed that if any covenant or condition or restriction hereinabove contained, or any portion thereof, is invalid or void, such invalidity or voidness shall in no way
affect any other covenant, condition, or restriction.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, The Title Guarantee and Trust Company, Trustee, and The Ohio Citizens Trust Company, as Mortgagee, have caused this instrument to be executed by their respective duly authorized representatives this 1st day of May, 1979.

Signed and delivered in the presence of:

J. T. Bruch                          THE TITLE GUARANTEE AND TRUST COMPANY, TRUSTEE
By               ________________________________
J. T. Bruch, President
By               ________________________________
Elsa L. Mueller, Secretary

Walter W. Peterson, Vice President
By               ________________________________
Nancy L. Belock, Vice President

STATE OF OHIO  )
COUNTY OF LUCAS  ) ss.

Before me, a Notary Public in and for said County and State, personally appeared J. T. Bruch and Elsa L. Mueller the President and Secretary respectively of The Title Guarantee and Trust Company, Trustee, who acknowledged that the seal affixed to said instrument is the corporate seal of said corporation and that they did sign and seal said instrument as such President and Secretary of said The Title Guarantee and Trust Company, Trustee, on behalf of said grantor corporation.
and by authority of its Board of Directors and that said instrument is the voluntary act and deed of the said
J. T. Bruch and
Elsa L. Mueller as such officers and the voluntary act and deed of said corporation for the uses and purposes therein expressed.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed my official seal this 1st day of May, 1979.

[Signature]

Notary Public

STATE OF OHIO  

COUNTY OF LUCAS  

Before me, a Notary Public in and for said County and State, personally appeared Walter W. Peterson and Nancy L. Below, the Vice President and Vice President respectively of The Ohio Citizens Trust Company, who acknowledged that the seal affixed to said instrument is the corporate seal of said corporation and that they did sign and seal said instrument as such Vice President and Vice President of said The Ohio Citizens Trust Company, on behalf of said grantor corporation and by authority of its Board of Directors and that said instrument is the voluntary act and deed of the said Walter W. Peterson and Nancy L. Below as such officers and the voluntary act and deed of said corporation for the uses and purposes therein expressed.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed my official seal this 30th day of April, 1979.

[Signature]

Notary Public

JANE E. WELTER

Notary Public, Lucas County, Ohio

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