## FIREWORKS POLICY FOR

## BRIDGES OF DEER CREEK HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC.

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors (the "Board") of Bridges of Deer Creek Homeowners Association, Inc., (the "Association") is empowered to govern the affairs of the Association; and

WHEREAS, there is a need to adopt a specific policy on the possession, use and/or discharge of fireworks within the Bridges of Deer Creek subdivision; and

WHEREAS, it is the intent that this policy shall remain in effect until otherwise rescinded, modified, or amended by the Board.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT**, the following policy on fireworks is hereby adopted by the Board:

- 1. The discharge of fireworks, including Black Cat firecrackers and sparklers, within the Bridges of Deer Creek subdivision is expressly prohibited.
- 2. The possession of fireworks must be in strict compliance with City of Crowley and/or Tarrant County ordinances and codes.
- 3. The Association may hire off-duty police officers or security during the Fourth of July and New Year's holidays to enforce compliance.
- 4. Homeowners need to be aware that in illegally discharging or setting off fireworks, they are subjecting themselves to potential legal jeopardy, including fire dangers. There are both criminal and civil statutes in place that apply, depending on the circumstances, including if property damage occurs.
- 5. Any homeowner may call phone number (817) 297-2276 (Crowley Police Department) or (817) 884-1213 (Tarrant County Sheriff's Office) to immediately report fireworks violations or, in the event of an emergency, call 9-1-1.

The Schedule of Fines for a violation of this policy is as follows:

- (a) No warnings or courtesy letters will be given. This is a zero-tolerance policy and considered a health, safety, and security issue pursuant to Texas Property Code Section 209.006(h)(l).
- (b) Homeowners, tenants or guests caught discharging or setting off fireworks will be levied an immediate \$500.00 fine for each occurrence.
- (c) The fine, until paid, may be the subject of a lien against the property, and may result in legal action against the Homeowner.

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED that this policy replaces and supersedes in all respects all conflicting provisions and terms as set forth in prior policies and resolutions with respect to the discharge of fireworks, and shall remain in force and effect until revoked, modified or amended by the Board.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Board has caused this policy to be executed by its duly authorized representative as of the NOVEMBER 12, 2020.

BRIDGES OF DEER CREEK HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC., a Texas nonprofit corporation

David Romela, President