PETITION FOR VOLUNTARY ANNEXATION --- CITY OF HAWTHORNE ---

THE UNDERSIGNED, ________, the owner(s), of the real property described in the attached document(s) (hereafter the OWNER), hereby petitions the City Commission of the CITY OF HAWTHORNE, FLORIDA (Hereafter the CITY), to annex Tax Parcel No.(s) _______, which is more particularly described in the attached document(s) [Copy(s) of survey(s) or instrument(s) with complete legal descriptions must be attached], hereafter referred to as the "land". The undersigned represent that _______ is/are <u>all</u> the OWNER(S) of the land, legal title to which is based on a _______ (Eg: Warranty Deed, Quit Claim Deed, Contract for Deed etc.), recorded in O.R. Book_____ Page_____, of the Public Record of Alachua County Florida.

The OWNER acknowledges the following matter have been explained, disclosed and/or agreed on with the City Manager of the CITY:

1. The OWNER's annexation Petition must first receive preliminary approval by the City Commission;

2. After preliminary approval, a <u>Report</u> required by the "Alachua County Boundary Adjustment Act" (Chap. 90-496) must be prepared for and adopted by the City Commission as an ordinance (after being properly published at OWNER's expense);

3. The Report will be furnished to the OWNER, who after reviewing the Report may modify or withdrawal this Petition within twenty (20) days of receiving the Report;

4. If this Petition is not withdrawn the City Commission may direct that the annexation continue (If any modification is approved) by proper publication in a newspaper for two (2) weeks and subsequent adoption of an annexation ordinance (Separate from the Report) at the OWNER's expense;

5. The foregoing annexation process may take six (6) months or more;

6. The OWNER understands that the City will immediately provide <u>police</u>

and <u>fire protection</u>, <u>refuse collection</u>, <u>recycling pickup</u>, and <u>access to recreation facilities</u> on the same basis as the current citizens of the City;

7. The OWNER acknowledges having received and reviewed the HAWTHORNE STATEMENT OF POLICIES CONCERNING EXTENSION OF WATER AND SEWER SERVICES, and therefore understands that the extension of such services is usually at the expense of the property owner(s). Although, such extensions may be based on the requests of property owner(s), the City may make such extensions at the owners' expense, under the guidelines of the CITY's Comprehensive Land Use Plan and Land Development Regulations (LDR's). Therefore, the OWNER has no expectation of being provided water service before ______ 20__, or sewer utility service ______ 20__, unless sooner requested by the owner.

8. <u>Existing Roads</u>. The City will <u>not</u> assume responsibility for the maintenance of any road existing on the land which <u>has not</u> been improved to meet the standard described in the City's LDR's. Further, any such road must be improved* to meet such requirements, at OWNER's expense, not later than <u>years after the effective</u> date of the annexation or reimburse the CITY for same;

* Improvements shall include deeding adequate rights-of-way or easements to the City, obtaining construction and other permits for providing related drainage facilities.

9. After the land is annexed by the City, it will be taxed based on the City's millage rate effective January 1 of the following year final adoption of the annexation ordinance;

10. The City does not presently have a storm water runoff system, nor is any system currently planned. The City's Comprehensive Land Use Plan and LDR's require each property developer to develop a storm water runoff and/or retention plan consistent with established regulations. Therefore, all expenses related to the installation of storm water runoff or retention facilities shall be borne by the owner, including permitting costs.

11. <u>Expenses</u>. The OWNER agrees to bear ______ of the expenses, unless prorated with other owners whose land is being annexed at the same time, of any legal or professional services related to the research, preparation and publication of the REPORT ordinance and annexation ordinances and any newspaper publication or legal notices.

Within one (1) week of the receipt of this petition the CITY shall notify the OWNER of the initial cost related to preparation of the report referred to above and the estimated cost of publishing the annexation ordinance, should the report and petition be approved. The OWNER may withdrawal this petition within one (1) week of receipt of this information.

THE OWNER ACKNOWLEDGES RECEIPT OF A COPY OF AND HAVING READ THE FOREGOING PETITION FOR VOLUNTARY ANNEXATION AND THE CITY'S STATEMENT OF POLICIES CONCERNING EXTENSION OF WATER AND SEWER SERVICES, AND THE OWNER AGREES TO ABIDE BY THE TERMS OF THIS PETITION AND SUCH POLICIES SHOULD THE ABOVE-REFERENCED LANDS BE ANNEXED TO THE CITY.

The undersigned are all the owners of the property described in the attached instruments as of the date of this petition, except for holders of mortgages or liens, and they signed this petition with the intent that the CITY rely on the information and representations contained in this petition.

Signed below this _____ day of _____, 20__. IN THE PRESENCE OF:

Witness

Owner:

Witness

Owner:

Witness

Owner:

ACCEPTED by the CITY OF HAWTHORNE this __day of _____, 20__.

Ву _____

CITY MANAGER

ATTACH INSTRUMENT(S) OR A SURVEY WITH ACCURATE LEGAL DESCRIPTION(S).

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