## SADDLE ROCK RANCHES HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION RESOLUTION TO TEMPORARILY ABSTAIN FROM COVENANT ENFORCEMENT RELATED TO DOMESTIC CHICKENS

WHEREAS, the Saddle Rock Ranches Homeowners Association (the "HoA") has, since its formation, been authorized and charged with covenant enforcement; and

WHEREAS, the Consolidated Declaration of Covenants and Restrictions for Saddle Rock Ranches (the "Covenants") indicate chickens (or other livestock) are not allowed, but indicates domestic household pets and animals are allowed; and

WHEREAS, the HoA has heard and considered arguments supporting multiple viewpoints as to whether chickens are considered domestic household pets, including opinions from multiple attorneys, noting existing uncertainty and differing viewpoints and definitions in municipalities, courts, etc.; and

WHEREAS, the HoA recognizes this uncertainty and the reasonableness of the opinions and therefore, the significant effort and cost that could be incurred determining a conclusion as to whether chickens are considered domestic household pets or animals; and

WHEREAS, the HoA recognizes that its not in its best interest to utilize valuable resources pursuing a certain resolution to this matter at this time, but rather to await further developments in either or both statutory and case law that would be relevant to the definition contained in the Covenants; and.

WHEREAS, the HoA recognizes selective enforcement of covenants can be viewed negatively and is not in the best interest of the health, safety and welfare of the constituents of the Association.

## NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved by the HoA as follows:

- Until such time, and while maintaining its right to consider further at a
  future time, whether chickens should be considered a domestic household pet or animal,
  and therefore allowed as an exception to the prohibition on livestock, including chickens,
  from being allowed on any lot,
- 2. The HoA will not prevent any resident from keeping chickens, provided such homeowners comply with all relevant regulations, rules, guidelines etc, otherwise contained within the Covenants, including but not limited, to Restrictions on Improvements as it pertains to any necessary structures, fencing etc., or issued by other applicable governmental organizations, including, but not limited to the State of

Colorado, Arapahoe County, City of Centennial, Colorado Department of Health, or other relevant body.

- 3. The decision to suspend enforcement of the covenant prohibiting chickens should be considered temporary and does not establish a right or "grandfathering" should the HoA determine in the future, after abundant due process and consideration of future developments in applicable case or statutory law, regarding the definition of domestic household pet or animal, to enforce such prohibition.
- 4. The decision to suspend enforcement of this narrow section of the Covenants, due to the above referenced uncertainty and cost of determination, should not be considered a decision not to enforce the remainder of the Covenants, and the HoA notes the "Severability" clause in Article II Section 2 which indicates the "other provisions will remain in full force and effect."

ADOPTED AND APPROVED this 15th day of January 2019 by a unanimous vote of the residents in attendance at the regularly scheduled meeting on the same day.

SADDLE ROCK RANCHES HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION

Bv:

Wayne King, President