# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

# FORM S-8 REGISTRATION STATEMENT

**UNDER**THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933

### **HOST HOTELS & RESORTS, INC.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Maryland

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

53-0085950 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

6903 Rockledge Drive, Suite 1500 Bethesda, Maryland 20817 (240) 744-1000 (Address of Principal Executive Offices)

# HOST HOTELS & RESORTS, INC. AND HOST HOTELS & RESORTS, L.P. EMPLOYEE STOCK PURCHASE PLAN

(Full title of the plan)

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ndicate by check mark whether the registrant is	a large accelerated filer, an accelerated fil	ler, a non-accelerated filer, or a sn	naller reporting company. See the
efinitions of "large accelerated filer," "accelera	ted filer" and "smaller reporting company	" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange	Act.

#### **CALCULATION OF REGISTRATION FEE**

		Proposed	Proposed	
	Amount	Maximum	Maximum	
Title of Securities	to be	Offering Price	Aggregate	Amount of
to be Registered	Registered(1)	Per Share(2)	Offering Price(2)	Registration Fee
Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share	200.000 shares	\$16.62	\$3,324,000	\$334.73

- (1) Pursuant to Rule 416 of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, (the "Securities Act"), this Registration Statement also covers an indeterminate number of shares that may be issued under the Host Hotels & Resorts, Inc. and Host Hotels & Resorts, L.P. Employee Stock Purchase Plan as a result of a stock split, stock dividend or similar transaction.
- (2) Estimated solely for purposes of calculating the registration fee pursuant to Rules 457(c) and (h) of the Securities Act. The proposed maximum offering price per share, proposed maximum aggregate offering price and the amount of the registration fee are based on the average of the high and low prices for the common stock as reported on the New York Stock Exchange on July 14, 2016.



#### EXPLANATORY NOTE

On May 12, 2016, the stockholders of Host Hotels & Resorts, Inc. (the "Company") approved the Host Hotels & Resorts, Inc. and Host Hotels & Resorts, L.P. Employee Stock Purchase Plan, as amended and restated (the "Plan"), which increased the number of shares of common stock, par value \$0.01 per share (the "Common Stock") of the Company reserved for issuance under the Plan by 200,000 shares. The purpose of this Registration Statement is to register the 200,000 additional shares of Common Stock reserved for issuance pursuant to Plan. The Common Stock registered hereunder is in addition to the 612,896 shares of Common Stock issued or issuable under the Plan and previously registered on the Company's Registration Statements on Form S-8 filed on March 25, 1999 (Commission File No. 333-75059) and January 7, 2011 (Commission File No. 333-171607) (collectively, the "Prior Registration Statements").

This Registration Statement is submitted in accordance with General Instruction E to Form S-8 regarding Registration of Additional Securities. Pursuant to Instruction E, the contents of the Prior Registration Statements are incorporated by reference and made a part of this Registration Statement except as amended hereby.

#### PART I

#### INFORMATION REQUIRED IN THE SECTION 10(a) PROSPECTUS

The information called for in Part I of Form S-8 is not required to be filed with this Registration Statement.

#### **PART II**

#### INFORMATION REQUIRED IN THE REGISTRATION STATEMENT

#### Item 3. Incorporation of Documents by Reference.

The following documents filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") by the Company are incorporated herein by reference:

- (a) the Combined Annual Report of Host Hotels & Resorts, L.P. and the Company on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2015 (including information specifically incorporated by reference from the Company's Proxy Statement for its 2016 Annual Meeting of Stockholders);
- (b) the Combined Quarterly Report of Host Hotels & Resorts, L.P. and the Company on Form 10-Q for the quarterly period ended March 31, 2016;
- (c) the Combined Current Report of Host Hotels & Resorts, L.P. and the Company on Form 8-K filed on July 13, 2016;
- (d) the Current Reports of the Company on Form 8-K filed on April 18, 2016 and May 13, 2016; and
- (e) the description of the Company's common stock included in the Registration Statement on Form 8-A, as amended, of HMC Merger Corporation, filed November 18, 1998 (as amended on December 28, 1998).

All documents filed by the Company with the SEC pursuant to Sections 13(a), 13(c), 14 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), after the date of this Registration Statement and prior to the filing of a post-effective amendment to this Registration Statement, which indicates that all securities offered hereby have been sold or which deregisters all securities then remaining unsold, shall be deemed incorporated by reference into this Registration Statement from the date of filing of such document.

We are not, however, incorporating by reference any documents or portions thereof, whether specifically listed above or included in future filings, that are not deemed "filed" with the SEC.

Any statement contained in this Registration Statement or in a document incorporated or deemed to be incorporated by reference in this Registration Statement shall be deemed to be modified or superseded for purposes of this Registration Statement to the extent that a statement contained in any subsequently filed document that also is or is deemed to be incorporated by reference in this Registration Statement modifies or supersedes such statement. Any such statement so modified or superseded shall not be deemed, except as so modified or superseded, to constitute a part of this Registration Statement.

#### Item 4. Description of Securities.

Not applicable.

#### Item 5. Interests of Named Experts and Counsel.

Not applicable.

#### Item 6. Indemnification of Directors and Officers.

The Maryland General Corporation Law (the "MGCL") permits a Maryland corporation to include in its charter a provision eliminating the liability of its directors and officers to the corporation and its stockholders for money damages except for liability resulting from (a) actual receipt of an improper benefit or profit in money, property or services or (b) active and deliberate dishonesty established by a final judgment as being material to the cause of action. The Company's charter contains such a provision that eliminates such liability to the maximum extent permitted by Maryland law.

The Company's charter authorizes it, to the maximum extent permitted by Maryland law, to obligate itself to indemnify and to pay or reimburse reasonable expenses in advance of final disposition of a proceeding to: (i) any present or former director or officer or (ii) any individual who, while a director or officer of the Company and at the request of the Company, serves or has served another corporation, real estate investment trust, partnership, joint venture, trust, employee benefit plan or any other enterprise from and against any claim or liability to which such person may become subject or which such person may incur by reason of his or her status as a present or former director or officer of the Company. The Company's Bylaws obligate it, to the maximum extent permitted by Maryland law, to indemnify and to pay or reimburse reasonable expenses in advance of final disposition of a proceeding to (a) any present or former director or officer of the Company who is made or threatened to be made a party to the proceeding by reason of his or her service in that capacity or (b) any individual who, while a director or officer of the Company and at the request of the Company, serves or has served another corporation, real estate investment trust, partnership, joint venture, trust, employee benefit plan or other enterprise as a director, trustee, officer or partner and who is made or threatened to be made a party to the proceeding by reason of his or her service in that capacity, against any claim or liability to which he or she may become subject by reason of such status. The Company's charter and Bylaws also permit the Company to indemnify and advance expenses to any person who served as a predecessor of the Company in any of the capacities described above and to any employee or agent of the Company or a predecessor of the Company.

The MGCL requires a Maryland corporation (unless its charter provides otherwise, which the Company's charter does not) to indemnify a director or officer who has been successful, on the merits or otherwise, in the defense of any proceeding to which he or she is made a party by reason of his or her service in that capacity. The MGCL permits a corporation to indemnify its present and former directors and officers, among others, against judgments, penalties, fines, settlements and reasonable expenses actually incurred by them in connection with any proceeding to which they may be made a party by reason of their service in those or other capacities unless it is established that (a) the act or omission of the director or officer was material to the matter giving rise to the proceeding and (i) was committed in bad faith or (ii) was the result of active and deliberate dishonesty, (b) the director or officer actually received an improper personal benefit in money, property, or services or (c) in the case of any criminal proceeding, the director or officer had reasonable cause to believe that the act or omission was unlawful. Under the MGCL, a Maryland corporation may not indemnify for an adverse judgment in a suit by or in the right of the corporation or for a judgment of liability on the basis that personal benefit was improperly received, unless in either case a court orders indemnification and then only for expenses. In accordance with the MGCL, the Company is required, as a condition to advancing expenses, to obtain (1) a written affirmation by the director, officer or employee of his or her good faith belief that he/she has met the standard of conduct necessary for indemnification and (2) a written undertaking by him or her or on his or her behalf to repay the amount paid or reimbursed by the Company if it shall ultimately be determined that the applicable standard of conduct was not met.

The Company has also entered into indemnification agreements with its directors and executive officers that obligate it to indemnify them to the maximum extent permitted under Maryland law. The agreements require the Company to indemnify the director or officer (the "indemnitee") against all judgments, penalties, fines and amounts paid in settlement and all expenses actually and reasonably incurred by the indemnitee in connection with a proceeding (other than one initiated by or on behalf of the Company) to which such person became subject by reason of his or her status as a present or former director or officer of the Company or any other corporation or enterprise for which

such person is or was serving at the Company's request. In addition, the indemnification agreement requires the Company to indemnify the indemnitee against all amounts paid in settlement and all expenses actually and reasonably incurred by the indemnitee in connection with a proceeding that is brought by or on behalf of the Company. In either case, the indemnitee is not entitled to indemnification if it is established that one of the exceptions to indemnification under Maryland law set forth above exists.

In addition, the indemnification agreement requires the Company to advance reasonable expenses incurred by the indemnitee within 10 days of the receipt by the Company of a statement from the indemnitee requesting the advance, provided the statement evidences the expenses and is accompanied by:

- · a written affirmation of the indemnitee's good-faith belief that he or she has met the standard of conduct necessary for indemnification, and
- a written undertaking by or on behalf of the indemnitee to repay the amount if it is ultimately determined that the standard of conduct was not
  met.

The indemnification agreement also provides for procedures for the determination of entitlement to indemnification, including requiring such determination be made by independent counsel after a change of control of the Company.

#### Item 7. Exemption from Registration Claimed.

Not applicable.

Exhibit

#### Item 8. Exhibits.

No.	Description
4.1*	Composite Charter of Host Hotels & Resorts, Inc., dated July 18, 2016.
4.2*	Amended and Restated Bylaws of Host Hotels & Resorts, Inc., effective May 24, 2016.
4.3	Form of Common Stock Certificate (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 4.7 to Host Marriott Corporation's Amendment No. 4 to its Registration Statement on Form S-4 (SEC File No. 333-55807) filed on October 2, 1998).
5.1*	Opinion of Venable LLP, as to the legality of the securities being registered.
23.1*	Consent of Venable LLP (included in Exhibit 5.1).
23.2*	Consent of KPMG LLP.
24.1*	Power of Attorney (included in the signature page hereto).
99.1	Host Hotels & Resorts, Inc. and Host Hotels & Resorts, L.P. Employee Stock Purchase Plan (incorporated by reference to Appendix C of the Company's Proxy Statement for its 2016 Annual Meeting of Stockholders filed with the Commission on April 4, 2016).

Filed herewith.

#### Item 9. Undertakings.

- (a) The undersigned Company hereby undertakes:
- (1) To file, during any period in which offers or sales are being made, a post-effective amendment to this Registration Statement:

- (i) To include any prospectus required by Section 10(a)(3) of the Securities Act of 1933;
- (ii) To reflect in the prospectus any facts or events arising after the effective date of the registration statement (or the most recent post-effective amendment thereof) which, individually or in the aggregate, represent a fundamental change in the information set forth in the registration statement. Notwithstanding the foregoing, any increase or decrease in volume of securities offered (if the total dollar value of securities offered would not exceed that which was registered) and any deviation from the low or high end of the estimated maximum offering range may be reflected in the form of prospectus filed with the Commission pursuant to Rule 424(b) if, in the aggregate, the changes in volume and price represent no more than 20 percent change in the maximum aggregate offering price set forth in the "Calculation of Registration Fee" table in the effective registration statement;
- (iii) To include any material information with respect to the plan of distribution not previously disclosed in the registration statement or any material change to such information in the registration statement;

provided, however, that paragraphs (a)(1)(i) and (a)(1)(ii) above do not apply if the information required to be included in a post-effective amendment by those paragraphs is contained in reports filed with or furnished to the Commission by the registrant pursuant to Section 13 or Section 15(d) of the Exchange Act that are incorporated by reference in the registration statement.

- (2) That, for the purpose of determining any liability under the Securities Act of 1933, each such post-effective amendment shall be deemed to be a new registration statement relating to the securities offered therein, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial *bona fide* offering thereof.
- (3) To remove from registration by means of a post-effective amendment any of the securities being registered which remain unsold at the termination of the offering.
- (b) The undersigned registrant hereby undertakes that, for purposes of determining any liability under the Securities Act of 1933, each filing of the registrant's annual report pursuant to Section 13(a) or Section 15(d) of the Exchange Act (and, where applicable, each filing of an employee benefit plan's annual report pursuant to Section 15(d) of the Exchange Act) that is incorporated by reference in the registration statement shall be deemed to be a new registration statement relating to the securities offered therein, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial *bona fide* offering thereof.
- (c) Insofar as indemnification for liabilities arising under the Securities Act of 1933 may be permitted to directors, officers and controlling persons of the registrant pursuant to the foregoing provisions, or otherwise, the registrant has been advised that in the opinion of the Securities and Exchange Commission such indemnification is against public policy as expressed in the Securities Act and is, therefore, unenforceable. In the event that a claim for indemnification against such liabilities (other than the payment by the registrant of expenses incurred or paid by a director, officer or controlling person of the registrant in the successful defense of any action, suit or proceeding) is asserted by such director, officer or controlling person in connection with the securities being registered, the registrant will, unless in the opinion of its counsel the matter has been settled by controlling precedent, submit to a court of appropriate jurisdiction the question whether such indemnification by it is against public policy as expressed in the Securities Act and will be governed by the final adjudication of such issue.

#### **SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, the registrant certifies that it has reasonable grounds to believe that it meets all of the requirements for filing on Form S-8 and has duly caused this registration statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in the City of Bethesda, State of Maryland, on this 18th day of July, 2016.

#### HOST HOTELS & RESORTS, INC.

By: /s/ GREGORY J. LARSON
Name: Gregory J. Larson
Title: Executive Vice President and
Chief Financial Officer

#### POWER OF ATTORNEY

We, the undersigned directors and officers of Host Hotels & Resorts, Inc., do hereby constitute and appoint Elizabeth A. Abdoo and Gregory J. Larson, and each of them, our true and lawful attorney-in-fact and agent, with full power of substitution and resubstitution, to do any and all acts and things in our names and on our behalf in our capacities as directors and officers and to execute any and all instruments for us in the capacities indicated below, which said attorney and agent may deem necessary or advisable to enable said corporation to comply with the Securities Act of 1933 and any rules, regulations and agreements of the Securities and Exchange Commission, in connection with this Registration Statement, or any registration statement for this offering that is to be effective upon filing pursuant to Rule 462(b) under the Securities Act of 1933, including specifically, but without limitation, any and all amendments (including post-effective amendments) hereto; and we hereby ratify and confirm all that said attorney and agent shall do or cause to be done by virtue thereof.

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, this registration statement has been signed by the following persons in the capacities and on the dates indicated.

Signature	Title	Date
/s/ W. EDWARD WALTER W. Edward Walter	President, Chief Executive Officer and Director (Principal Executive Officer)	July 18, 2016
/S/ GREGORY J. LARSON Gregory J. Larson	Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer (Principal Financial Officer)	July 18, 2016
/S/ BRIAN G. MACNAMARA Brian G. Macnamara	Senior Vice President, Corporate Controller (Principal Accounting Officer)	July 18, 2016
/S/ RICHARD E. MARRIOTT Richard E. Marriott	Chairman of the Board of Directors	July 18, 2016
/S/ MARY L. BAGLIVO  Mary L. Baglivo	Director	July 18, 2016
/s/ Sheila C. Bair	Director	July 18, 2016

Signature	Title	Date
/s/ TERENCE C. GOLDEN Terence C. Golden	Director	July 18, 2016
/S/ ANN MCLAUGHLIN KOROLOGOS Ann McLaughlin Korologos	Director	July 18, 2016
/S/ SANDEEP MATHRANI Sandeep Mathrani	Director	July 18, 2016
/S/ JOHN B. MORSE, JR.  John B. Morse, Jr.	Director	July 18, 2016
/S/ WALTER C. RAKOWICH Walter C. Rakowich	Director	July 18, 2016
/S/ GORDON H. SMITH Gordon H. Smith	Director	July 18, 2016

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<sup>\*</sup> Filed herewith.

THIS COMPOSITE CHARTER OF HOST HOTELS & RESORTS, INC. (THE "CORPORATION"), TOGETHER WITH EXHIBIT A ATTACHED HERETO, REFLECTS THE PROVISIONS OF THE CORPORATION'S CHARTER, INCLUDING ALL AMENDMENTS AND SUPPLEMENTS THERETO FILED WITH THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF ASSESSMENTS AND TAXATION OF MARYLAND THEREAFTER ON OR PRIOR TO JULY 18, 2016 BUT IS NOT AN AMENDMENT AND RESTATEMENT THEREOF.

#### **HOST HOTELS & RESORTS, INC.**

#### **COMPOSITE CHARTER**

#### ARTICLE I Name

The name of the corporation (which is hereinafter called the "Corporation") is Host Hotels & Resorts, Inc.

# ARTICLE II Purposes

The purposes for which the Corporation is formed are to engage in any lawful act or activity for which corporations may be organized under the General Corporation Law of the State of Maryland (the "MGCL").

# ARTICLE III Principal Office

The present address of the principal office of the Corporation in the State of Maryland is 6903 Rockledge Drive, Suite 1500, Bethesda, Maryland 20817.

#### ARTICLE IV Resident Agent

The name and address of the resident agent of the Corporation in the State of Maryland is CSC-Lawyers Incorporating Service Company, 7 St. Paul Street, Suite 820, Baltimore, Maryland 21202. Said resident agent is a Maryland corporation.

# ARTICLE V <u>Duration</u>

The duration of the Corporation shall be perpetual.

# ARTICLE VI Capitalization

Section 6(a) Shares and Par Value. The total number of shares of stock of all classes ("Capital Stock") which the Corporation has authority to issue is 1,100,000,000 shares, 1,050,000,000 of which initially are classified as common stock, par value of \$.01 per share ("Common Stock"), and 50,000,000 of which initially are classified as preferred stock, par value \$.01 per share ("Preferred Stock"). The aggregate par value of all classes of stock that the Corporation shall have authority to issue is \$11,000,000. The Board of Directors may, by adopting a resolution and filing articles supplementary with the State Department of Assessments and Taxation of Maryland, classify and reclassify any unissued shares of Capital Stock by setting or changing in any one or more respects the preferences, conversion or other rights, voting powers, restrictions, limitations as to dividends, qualifications, or terms or conditions of redemption of such shares of stock. The power of the Board of Directors under this Section 6(a) to classify and reclassify any of the shares of Capital Stock shall include, without limitation, authority to classify or reclassify any unissued shares of such stock (including shares initially designated as Common Stock or Preferred Stock above) into Common Stock, Preferred Stock, a class or classes of preferred stock, preference stock, special stock or other stock (including non-voting common stock), and to divide and classify shares of any class into one or more series of such class. Unless otherwise specifically provided for in the terms of any class or series of stock now or hereafter created, the amount that would be needed, if the Corporation were to be dissolved at the time of a distribution, to satisfy the preferential rights on dissolution of stockholders whose preferential rights are superior to those receiving the distribution, shall not limit the ability of the Corporation to make any distribution or the amount thereof.

Section 6(b) <u>Common Stock</u>. The following is a description of the preferences, conversion and other rights, voting powers, restrictions, limitations as to dividends, qualifications, and terms and conditions of redemption of the Common Stock of the Corporation:

- (1) <u>Voting Rights</u>. Each share of Common Stock shall have one vote on all actions to be taken by the stockholders of the Corporation, and, except as otherwise provided in respect of any class of stock at any time classified or reclassified, the exclusive voting power for all purposes shall be vested in the holders of the Common Stock.
- (2) <u>Dividends</u>. Subject to the provisions of law and any preferences of any class of Capital Stock, including any shares of Preferred Stock, hereafter classified or reclassified, dividends, including dividends payable in shares of another class of the Corporation's stock, may be paid on the Common Stock of the Corporation at such time and in such amounts as the Board of Directors may deem advisable and the holders of the Common Stock shall share ratably in any such dividends, in proportion to the number of shares of Common Stock held by them respectively, on a share for share basis.

(3) <u>Liquidation Rights</u>. In the event of any liquidation, dissolution or winding up of the Corporation, whether voluntary or involuntary, the holders of the Common Stock shall be entitled, after payment or provision for payment of the debts and other liabilities of the Corporation and the amount to which the holders of any class of Capital Stock at any time classified or reclassified having a preference on distributions in the liquidation, dissolution or winding up of the Corporation are entitled, including any shares of Preferred Stock, together with the holders of any other class of Capital Stock hereafter classified or reclassified not having a preference on distributions in the liquidation, dissolution or winding up of the Corporation, to share ratably in the remaining net assets of the Corporation.

Section 6(c) <u>Preferred Stock</u>. The Board of Directors shall have the authority to classify and reclassify any unissued shares of Preferred Stock from time to time by setting or changing in any one or more respects the preferences, conversion or other rights, voting powers, restrictions, limitations as to dividends, qualifications, or terms or conditions of redemption of such shares of the Preferred Stock. Subject to the foregoing, the power of the Board of Directors to classify and reclassify any of the shares of Preferred Stock shall include, without limitation, subject to the provisions of the charter, authority to classify or reclassify any of the shares of such stock into Common Stock, a class or classes of preferred stock, preference stock, special stock or other stock, and to divide and classify shares of any class into one or more series of such class, by determining, fixing, or altering one or more of the following:

- (1) The distinctive designation of such class or series and the number of shares to constitute such class or series; provided that, unless otherwise prohibited by the terms of such or any other class or series, the number of shares of any class or series may be decreased by the Board of Directors in connection with any classification or reclassification of unissued shares and the number of shares of such class or series may be increased by the Board of Directors in connection with any such classification or reclassification, and any shares of any class or series which have been redeemed, purchased, otherwise acquired or converted into shares of Common Stock or any other class or series shall become part of the authorized class of stock so redeemed, purchased, otherwise acquired or converted into shares of Common Stock and be subject to classification and reclassification as provided in this Article VI.
- (2) Whether or not and, if so, the rates, amounts and times at which, and the conditions under which, dividends shall be payable on shares of such class or series, whether any such dividends shall rank senior or junior to or on a parity with the dividends payable on any other class or series of stock, and the status of any such dividends as cumulative, cumulative to a limited extent or non-cumulative and as participating or non-participating.
- (3) Whether or not shares of such class or series shall have voting rights, in addition to any voting rights provided by law and, if so, the terms of such voting rights.

- (4) Whether or not shares of such class or series shall have conversion or exchange privileges and, if so, the terms and conditions thereof, including provision for adjustment of the conversion or exchange rate in such events or at such times as the Board of Directors shall determine.
- (5) Whether or not shares of such class or series shall be subject to redemption and, if so, the terms and conditions of such redemption, including the date or dates upon or after which they shall be redeemable and the amount per share payable in case of redemption, which amount may vary under different conditions and at different redemption dates; and whether or not there shall be any sinking fund or purchase account in respect thereof, and if so, the terms thereof.
- (6) The rights of the holders of shares of such class or series upon the liquidation, dissolution or winding up of the affairs of, or upon any distribution of the assets of, the Corporation, which rights may vary depending upon whether such liquidation, dissolution or winding up is voluntary or involuntary and, if voluntary, may vary at different dates, and whether such rights shall rank senior or junior to or on a parity with such rights of any other class or series of stock.
- (7) Whether or not there shall be any limitations applicable, while shares of such class or series are outstanding, upon the payment of dividends or making of distributions on, or the acquisition of, or the use of moneys for purchase or redemption of, any stock of the Corporation, or upon any other action of the Corporation, including action under this Section 6(c), and, if so, the terms and conditions thereof.
- (8) Any other preferences, rights, restrictions, including restrictions on transferability, and qualifications of shares of such class or series, not inconsistent with law and the charter of the Corporation.
- Section 6(d) <u>Ranking of Classes or Series of Capital Stock</u>. For the purposes hereof and of any articles supplementary to the charter providing for the classification or reclassification of any shares of Capital Stock or of any other charter document of the Corporation (unless otherwise provided in any such articles or document), any class or series of stock of the Corporation shall be deemed to rank:
- (1) prior to another class or series either as to dividends or upon liquidation, if the holders of such class or series shall be entitled to the receipt of dividends or of amounts distributable on liquidation, dissolution or winding up, as the case may be, in preference or priority to holders of such other class or series;
- (2) on a parity with another class or series either as to dividends or upon liquidation, whether or not the dividend rates, dividend payment dates or redemption or liquidation price per share thereof be different from those of such others, if the holders of such class or series of stock shall be entitled to receipt of dividends or amounts distributable upon liquidation, dissolution or winding up, as the case may be, in

proportion to their respective dividend rates or redemption or liquidation prices, without preference or priority over the holders of such other class or series; and

(3) junior to another class or series either as to dividends or upon liquidation, if the rights of the holders of such class or series shall be subject or subordinate to the rights of the holders of such other class or series in respect of the receipt of dividends or the amounts distributable upon liquidation, dissolution or winding up, as the case may be.

## ARTICLE VII Board of Directors

Section 7(a) <u>Number of Directors</u>. Except as otherwise fixed by or pursuant to the provisions of Article VI hereof relating to the rights of the holders of any class or series of stock having a preference over the Common Stock as to dividends or upon liquidation to elect additional directors under specified circumstances, the number of directors may thereafter be increased or decreased pursuant to the Bylaws of the Corporation; provided such number established in accordance with the Bylaws is not decreased to less than three (3) nor increased to more than thirteen (13).

Section 7(b) <u>Removal of Directors</u>. Subject to the rights of holders of one or more classes or series of Capital Stock other than Common Stock to elect one or more directors, any director may be removed only for cause and only by the affirmative vote of stockholders holding at least two thirds of all the votes entitled to be cast for the election of directors.

Section 7(c) <u>Vacancies</u>. Except in the case of a vacancy on the Board of Directors among the directors elected by a class or series of Capital Stock other than Common Stock, any vacancy on the Board of Directors may be filled by the affirmative vote of the remaining directors (except that a vacancy which results from an increase in the number of directors may be filled by a majority of the entire Board of Directors) and, in the case of a vacancy resulting from the removal of a director, by the stockholders by the affirmative vote of two-thirds of the votes entitled to be cast for the election of directors. Any vacancy on the Board of Directors among the directors elected by a class or series of Capital Stock other than Common Stock may be filled by a majority of the remaining directors elected by that class or series or by the sole remaining director elected by that class or series, or by the stockholders of that class or series unless otherwise provided in the articles supplementary for that class or series.

Section 7(d) <u>Amendments</u>. Notwithstanding any other provisions of the charter or Bylaws of the Corporation, the affirmative vote of stockholders holding at least two-thirds of all of the votes entitled to be cast thereon shall be required to amend, alter, change, repeal, or adopt any provisions inconsistent with the provisions of this ARTICLE VII.

# ARTICLE VIII Restriction on Transfer and Ownership of Shares of Capital Stock

Section 8.1 <u>Definitions</u>. For the purpose of this Article VIII, the following terms shall have the following meanings:

Beneficial Ownership. The term "Beneficial Ownership" shall mean ownership of shares of Capital Stock by a Person, whether the interest in the shares of Capital Stock is held directly or indirectly (including by a nominee), and shall include (in addition to direct ownership and indirect ownership through a nominee or similar arrangement) interests that would be treated as owned through the application of Section 544 of the Code, as modified by Section 856(h)(1)(B) of the Code. The terms "Beneficial Owner," "Beneficially Owns" and "Beneficially Owned" shall have the correlative meanings.

Benefit Plan Investor. The term "Benefit Plan Investor" shall have the meaning provided in 29 C.F.R. § 2510.3-101(f)(2), or any successor regulation thereto.

<u>Business Day</u>. The term "Business Day" shall mean any day, other than a Saturday or Sunday, that is neither a legal holiday nor a day on which banking institutions in the state of Maryland or in the state of New York are authorized or required by law, regulation or executive order to close.

Charitable Beneficiary. The term "Charitable Beneficiary" shall mean one or more beneficiaries of the Charitable Trust as determined pursuant to Section 8.3.7, provided that each such organization must be described in Sections 501(c)(3), 170(b)(1)(A) (other than clause (vii) or (viii) thereof) and 170(c)(2) of the Code and contributions to each such organization must be eligible for deduction under each of Sections 170(b)(1)(A), 2055 and 2522 of the Code.

Charitable Trust. The term "Charitable Trust" shall mean any trust provided for in Section 8.2.1(b)(i) and Section 8.3.1.

<u>Charitable Trustee</u>. The term "Charitable Trustee" shall mean the Person, unaffiliated with the Corporation and a Prohibited Owner, that is appointed by the Corporation from time to time to serve as trustee of the Charitable Trust. In the absence of such designation, the Charitable Trustee shall be First National Bank of Chicago.

<u>Closing Price</u>. The "Closing Price" on any date shall mean the last sale price for such shares of Capital Stock, regular way, or, in case no such sale takes place on such day, the average of the closing bid and asked prices, regular way, for such shares of Capital Stock, in either case as reported on the principal consolidated transaction reporting system with respect to securities listed or admitted to trading on the NYSE or, if such shares of Capital Stock are not listed or admitted to trading on the

NYSE, as reported on the principal consolidated transaction reporting system with respect to securities listed on the principal national securities exchange on which such shares of Capital Stock are listed or admitted to trading or, if such shares of Capital Stock are not listed or admitted to trading on any national securities exchange, the last quoted price, or, if not so quoted, the average of the high bid and low asked prices, in the over-the-counter market, as reported by the NASDAQ Stock Market or, if such system is no longer in use, the principal other automated quotation system that may then be in use or, if such shares of Capital Stock are not quoted by any such organization, the average of the closing bid and asked prices as furnished by a professional market maker making a market in such shares of Capital Stock selected by the Board of Directors or, in the event that no trading price is available for such shares of Capital Stock, the fair market value of such shares, as determined in good faith by the Board of Directors.

Code. The term "Code" means the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended.

Constructive Ownership. The term "Constructive Ownership" shall mean ownership of shares of Capital Stock by a Person, whether the interest in shares of Capital Stock is held directly or indirectly (including by a nominee), and shall include any interests that would be treated as owned through the application of Section 318(a) of the Code, as modified by Section 856(d)(5) of the Code. The terms "Constructive Owner," "Constructively Owns" and "Constructively Owned" shall have the correlative meanings.

Effective Date. The term "Effective Date" shall mean the date on which the Effective Time occurs.

Effective Time. The term "Effective Time" shall mean the later of (i) the time the State Department of Assessments and Taxation of Maryland accepts the articles of merger for the Merger for record or (ii) the time established under the articles of merger for the Merger.

ERISA Investor. The term "ERISA Investor" shall mean any holder of shares of Capital Stock that is (i) an employee benefit plan subject to Title I of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended ("ERISA"), (ii) a plan as defined in Section 4975(e) of the Code (any such employee benefit plan or "plan" described in clause (i) or this clause (ii) being referred to herein as a "Plan"), (iii) a trust which was established pursuant to a Plan, or a nominee for such trust or Plan, or (iv) an entity whose underlying assets include assets of a Plan by reason of such Plan's investment in such entity.

Excepted Holder. The term "Excepted Holder" shall mean a stockholder of the Corporation for whom an Excepted Holder Limit is created by the Board of Directors pursuant to Section 8.2.7.

Excepted Holder Limit. The term "Excepted Holder Limit" shall mean, provided that (and only so long as) the affected Excepted Holder complies with all of the requirements established by the Board of Directors pursuant to Section 8.2.7, and subject to adjustment pursuant to Section 8.2.8, the percentage limit established by the Board of Directors pursuant to Section 8.2.7.

<u>Excluded Holder</u>. The term "Excluded Holder" shall mean any Person who acquires Constructive Ownership or Beneficial Ownership of shares of Common Stock solely by reason of the Transfer of Common Stock in the Merger and who, immediately following the Merger, either Beneficially Owns or Constructively Owns shares of Common Stock in excess of the Ownership Limit solely by reason of such Transfer of Common Stock in the Merger.

Excluded Holder Limit. The term "Excluded Holder Limit" shall mean, with respect to any Excluded Holder, the lesser of (i) shares of Capital Stock representing 9.9% (in value) of the outstanding shares of Capital Stock of the Corporation or (ii) the shares of Capital Stock that such Excluded Holder was considered to Constructively Own immediately following the Merger solely by reason of the Merger (taking into account only such shares of Capital Stock and no other shares as to which such Person may thereafter become, for any reason, the Constructive Owner or the Beneficial Owner), <a href="mailto:provided">provided</a>, however, that if at any time the Excluded Holder Limit for any Excluded Holder would be less than the Ownership Limit, such Excluded Holder shall cease to be an Excluded Holder and the Ownership Limit shall thereafter apply to such Person.

Market Price. The term "Market Price" on any date shall mean, with respect to any class or series of outstanding shares of Capital Stock, the Closing Price for such shares of Capital Stock on such date.

Merger. The term "Merger" shall mean the merger of Host Marriott Corporation, a Delaware corporation, with and into the Corporation, with the Corporation being the surviving entity and with the outstanding shares of capital stock of Host Marriott Corporation being converted into shares of Capital Stock as set forth in the articles of merger for the Merger.

NYSE. The term "NYSE" shall mean the New York Stock Exchange, Inc.

Ownership Limit. The term "Ownership Limit" shall mean (i) with respect to shares of Common Stock, 9.8% (in value or number of shares, whichever is more restrictive) of the outstanding Common Stock of the Corporation; and (ii) with respect to any class or series of shares of Preferred Stock or other stock, 9.8% (in value or number of shares, whichever is more restrictive) of the outstanding shares of such class or series of Preferred Stock or other stock of the Corporation.

Person. The term "Person" shall mean an individual, corporation, partnership, estate, trust (including a trust qualified under Sections 401(a) or 501(c)(17) of the Code), portion of a trust permanently set aside for or to be used exclusively for the purposes described in Section 642(c) of the Code, association, private foundation within the meaning of Section 509(a) of the Code, joint stock company, limited liability company, or other entity and also includes a group as that term is used for purposes of Section 13(d)(3) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended; provided, however, that the term "Person" shall not include any group as that term is used for purposes of Section 13(d)(3) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, if such "group" would be an Excluded Holder (but any Person that is a member of such "group" shall still be considered to be a "Person" for purposes hereof).

<u>Prohibited Owner</u>. The term "Prohibited Owner" shall mean any Person, who, but for the provisions of Section 8.2.1, would Beneficially Own or Constructively Own shares of Capital Stock, and if appropriate in the context, shall also mean any Person who would have been the record owner of shares of Capital Stock that the Prohibited Owner would have so owned.

<u>Publicly Offered Securities</u>. The term "Publicly Offered Securities" shall have the meaning provided in 29 C.F.R. Section 2510.3-101(b)(2), or any successor regulation thereto.

REIT. The term "REIT" shall mean a real estate investment trust within the meaning of Section 856 of the Code.

Restriction Date. The term "Restriction Date" shall mean the first day after the Effective Date.

Restriction Termination Date. The term "Restriction Termination Date" shall mean the first day after the Effective Date on which the Board of Directors determines that it is no longer in the best interests of the Corporation to attempt to, or continue to, qualify as a REIT or that compliance with the restrictions and limitations on Beneficial Ownership, Constructive Ownership and Transfers of shares of Capital Stock set forth herein is no longer required in order for the Corporation to qualify as a REIT.

Transfer. The term "Transfer" shall mean any issuance, sale, transfer, gift, assignment, devise or other disposition, as well as any other event (or any agreement to take any such actions or cause any such events) that causes any Person to acquire Beneficial Ownership or Constructive Ownership of shares of Capital Stock, or the right to vote or receive dividends on shares of Capital Stock, including without limitation, (a) the issuance and transfer to holders of shares of Host Marriott Corporation of shares of Capital Stock in the Merger, (b) a change in the capital structure of the Corporation, (c) a change in the relationship between two or more Persons which causes a change in ownership of shares of Capital Stock by application of either Section 544 of the Code, as modified by Section 856(h) or Section 318(a) of the Code, as modified by Section 856(d)(5), (d) the grant or exercise of any option or warrant (or any disposition of

any option or warrant, or any event that causes any option or warrant not theretofore exercisable to become exercisable), pledge, security interest or similar right to acquire shares of Capital Stock, (e) any disposition of any securities or rights convertible into or exchangeable for shares of Capital Stock or any interest in shares of Capital Stock or any exercise of any such conversion or exchange right, (f) Transfers of interests in other entities that result in changes in Beneficial Ownership or Constructive Ownership of shares of Capital Stock, and (g) solely for purposes of applying the Excluded Holder Limit, any change in the value of one class or series of shares of Capital Stock relative to the value of any other class or series of shares of Capital Stock, in each case, whether voluntary or involuntary, whether owned of record, Constructively Owned or Beneficially Owned, and whether by operation of law or otherwise. (For purposes of this Article VIII, the right of a limited partner in Host Marriott, L.P., a Delaware limited partnership (or any successor thereto), to require the partnership to redeem such limited partner's units of limited partnership interest pursuant to Section 8.6 of the Amended and Restated Agreement of Limited Partnership of Host Marriott, L.P. shall not be considered to be an option or similar right to acquire shares of Capital Stock of the Corporation so long as such Section 8.6 is not amended in a manner that would grant to a limited partner a legal right to require that either Host Marriott, L.P. (or any successor thereto) or the Corporation issue to such limited partner shares of Capital Stock and so long as the restrictions in Section 8.6.C of such Agreement apply to the exercise of the rights set forth in such Section 8.6.) The terms "Transferring" and "Transferred" shall have the correlative meanings.

#### Section 8.2 Restrictions on Ownership and Transfer of Shares.

Section 8.2.1 <u>Ownership Limitations</u>. During the period commencing at the Effective Time and ending at the close of business on the Restriction Termination Date:

#### (a) Basic Restrictions.

(i) (1) No Person, other than an Excepted Holder or an Excluded Holder, shall Beneficially Own or Constructively Own shares of Capital Stock in excess of the Ownership Limit, (2) no Excepted Holder shall Beneficially Own or Constructively Own shares of Capital Stock in excess of the Excepted Holder Limit for such Excepted Holder, and (3) commencing at 12:01 a.m. (Eastern Standard Time) on the Restriction Date, no Excluded Holder shall Beneficially Own or Constructively Own shares of Capital Stock in excess of the Excluded Holder Limit for such Excluded Holder.

(ii) No Person shall Beneficially Own or Constructively Own shares of Capital Stock to the extent that (1) such Beneficial Ownership of shares of Capital Stock would result in the Corporation being "closely held" within the meaning of Section 856(h) of the Code (without regard to whether the ownership interest is held during the last half of a taxable year), (2) such Constructive Ownership would cause either the Corporation to be considered to Constructively Own an interest in a tenant that

is described in Section 856(d)(2)(B) of the Code for purposes of applying Section 856(c) of the Code or Host Marriott, L.P. (or any successor thereto) to be considered to Constructively Own an interest in a tenant that is described in Section 856(d)(2)(B) of the Code for purposes of applying Section 7704(d) of the Code, or (3) such Beneficial Ownership or Constructive Ownership of shares of Capital Stock would result in the Corporation otherwise failing to qualify as a REIT or Host Marriott, L.P. (or any successor thereto) to fail to qualify as a partnership for federal income tax purposes.

(iii) No Person shall Transfer any shares of Capital Stock if, as a result of the Transfer, the outstanding shares of all classes and series of Capital Stock would be Beneficially Owned by less than 100 Persons (determined without reference to the rules of attribution under Section 544 of the Code). Subject to Section 8.5 and notwithstanding any other provisions contained herein, any Transfer of shares of Capital Stock (whether or not such Transfer is the result of a transaction entered into through the facilities of the NYSE or any other national securities exchange or automated inter-dealer quotation system) that, if effective, would result in outstanding shares of all classes and series of Capital Stock being Beneficially Owned by less than 100 Persons (determined under the principles of Section 856(a)(5) of the Code) shall be void ab initio, and the intended transferee shall acquire no rights in such shares of Capital Stock.

(b) <u>Transfer in Trust</u>. If, as a result of the Merger and the Transfer of shares of Capital Stock to holders of shares of Host Marriott Corporation, a Delaware corporation, any Person Beneficially Owns or Constructively Owns shares of Capital Stock in violation of Section 8.2.1(a)(i) or 8.2.1(a)(ii) or 8.2.1(a)(ii) or 8.2.1(a)(iii) as of 12:01 a.m. (Eastern Standard Time) on the Restriction Date, then that number of shares of Capital Stock the Beneficial Ownership or Constructive Ownership of which otherwise would cause such Person to violate Section 8.2.1(a)(i) or 8.2.1(a)(ii) or 8.2.1(a)(iii) (whichever is applicable) (rounded upward to the nearest whole share) shall be automatically transferred to a Charitable Trust for the benefit of a Charitable Beneficiary, as described in Section 8.3, effective as of 12:01 a.m. (Eastern Standard Time) on the Restriction Date, and such Person shall have no rights in such shares of Capital Stock (except as otherwise provided in Section 8.3.5(b)). If any Transfer of shares of Capital Stock other than as a result of the Merger and Transfer of shares of Capital Stock to holders of shares of Host Marriott Corporation (whether or not such Transfer is the result of a transaction entered into through the facilities of the NYSE or any other national securities exchange or automated inter-dealer quotation system) occurs which, if effective, would result in any Person Beneficially Owning or Constructively Owning shares of Capital Stock in violation of Section 8.2.1(a)(i) or 8.2.1(a)(ii) or 8.2.1(a)(iii), as applicable.

(i) then that number of shares of Capital Stock the Beneficial Ownership or Constructive Ownership of which otherwise would cause such Person to violate Section 8.2.1(a)(i) or 8.2.1(a)(ii) or 8.2.1(a)(iii) (rounded upward to the nearest whole share) shall be automatically transferred to a Charitable Trust for the benefit of a Charitable Beneficiary, as described in Section 8.3, effective as of the close of business on the Business Day prior to the date of such Transfer (or as of the close of

business on the Effective Date as to any such Transfer that occurs on the Effective Date), and such Person shall acquire no rights in such shares of Capital Stock; or

(ii) if the transfer to the Charitable Trust described in clause (i) of this sentence would not be effective for any reason to prevent the violation of Section 8.2.1(a)(i) or 8.2.1(a)(ii) or 8.2.1(a)(iii), as applicable, then the Transfer of that number of shares of Capital Stock that otherwise would cause any Person to violate Section 8.2.1(a)(i) or 8.2.1(a)(ii) or 8.2.1(a)(iii), as applicable, shall be void <u>ab initio</u>, and the intended transferee shall acquire no rights in such shares of Capital Stock.

Section 8.2.2 Remedies for Breach. If the Board of Directors or any duly authorized committee thereof shall at any time determine in good faith that a Transfer or other event has taken place that results in a violation of Section 8.2.1 or that a Person intends to acquire or has attempted to acquire Beneficial Ownership or Constructive Ownership of any shares of Capital Stock in violation of Section 8.2.1 (whether or not such violation is intended), the Board of Directors or a committee thereof shall take such action as it deems advisable to refuse to give effect to or to prevent such Transfer or other event, including, without limitation, causing the Corporation to redeem shares of Capital Stock, refusing to give effect to such Transfer on the books of the Corporation or instituting proceedings to enjoin such Transfer or other event; provided, however, that any Transfer or attempted Transfer or other event in violation of Section 8.2.1 shall automatically result in the transfer to the Charitable Trust described above, and, where applicable under Section 8.2.1(b)(ii), such Transfer (or other event) shall be void ab initio as provided above irrespective of any action (or non-action) by the Board of Directors or a committee thereof.

Section 8.2.3 Notice of Restricted Transfer. Any Person who acquires or attempts or intends to acquire Beneficial Ownership or Constructive Ownership of shares of Capital Stock that will or may violate Section 8.2.1(a) or any Person who would have owned shares of Capital Stock that resulted in a transfer to the Charitable Trust pursuant to the provisions of Section 8.2.1(b), shall immediately give written notice to the Corporation of such event, or in the case of such a proposed or attempted transaction, give at least 15 days prior written notice, and shall provide to the Corporation such other information as the Corporation may request in order to determine the effect, if any, of such acquisition or ownership on the Corporation's status as a REIT.

Section 8.2.4 <u>Owners Required To Provide Information</u>. During the period commencing at the Effective Time and ending at the close of business on the Restriction Termination Date:

(a) Every stockholder of record of more than five percent (or such lower percentage as required by the Code or the Treasury Regulations promulgated thereunder) of the outstanding shares of Capital Stock within 30 days after the end of each taxable year, shall give written notice to the Corporation stating the name and address of such owner, the number of shares Beneficially Owned, and a description of the manner in which such shares of Capital Stock are held; provided that a stockholder of

record who holds outstanding shares of Capital Stock as nominee for another Person, which other Person is required to include in gross income the dividends received on such shares (an "Actual Owner"), shall give written notice to the Corporation stating the name and address of such Actual Owner and the number of shares of Capital Stock of such Actual Owner with respect to which the stockholder of record is nominee. Each such stockholder of record and each Actual Owner shall provide to the Corporation such additional information as the Corporation may request in order to determine the effect, if any, of such Beneficial Ownership on the Corporation's status as a REIT and to ensure compliance with the Ownership Limit.

(b) Each Person who is a Beneficial Owner or Constructive Owner of shares of Capital Stock and each Person (including the stockholder of record) who is holding shares of Capital Stock for a Beneficial Owner or Constructive Owner shall provide to the Corporation such information as the Corporation may request, in good faith, in order to determine the Corporation's status as a REIT and to comply with requirements of any taxing authority or governmental authority or to determine such compliance.

Section 8.2.5 <u>Remedies Not Limited</u>. Subject to Section 8.5, nothing contained in this Section 8.2 shall limit the authority of the Board of Directors to take such other action as it deems necessary or advisable to protect the Corporation and the interests of its stockholders in preserving the Corporation's status as a REIT.

Section 8.2.6 <u>Ambiguity</u>. In the case of an ambiguity in the application of any of the provisions of this Section 8.2, Section 8.3 or any definition contained in Section 8.1, the Board of Directors shall have the power to determine the application of the provisions of this Section 8.2 or Section 8.3 with respect to any situation based upon the facts known to it. If Section 8.2 or 8.3 requires an action by the Board of Directors and the charter of the Corporation fails to provide specific guidance with respect to such action, the Board of Directors shall have the power to determine the action to be taken so long as such action is not contrary to the provisions of Sections 8.1, 8.2 or 8.3.

#### Section 8.2.7 Exceptions.

(a) The Board of Directors, in its sole and absolute discretion, may grant to any Person who makes a request therefor an exception to the Ownership Limit (or one or more elements thereof) with respect to the ownership of any series or class of Capital Stock of the Corporation, subject to the following conditions and limitations: (A) the Board of Directors shall have determined that (x) assuming such Person would Beneficially Own or Constructively Own the maximum amount of shares of Common Stock and stock of the Corporation (other than Common Stock) permitted as a result of the exception to be granted and (y) assuming that all other Persons who would be treated as "individuals" for purposes of Section 542(a)(2) of the Code (determined taking into account Section 856(h)(3)(A) of the Code) would Beneficially Own or Constructively Own the maximum amount of shares of Common Stock and stock of the Corporation

(other than Common Stock) permitted under this Article VIII (taking into account any exception, waiver or exemption granted under this Section 8.2.7 to (or with respect to) such Persons), the Corporation would not be "closely held" within the meaning of Section 856(h) of the Code (assuming that the ownership of shares of Capital Stock is determined during the second half of a taxable year) and would not otherwise fail to qualify as a REIT; and (B) such Person provides to the Board of Directors such representations and undertakings, if any, as the Board of Directors may, in its sole and absolute discretion, determine to be necessary in order for it to make the determination that the conditions set forth in clause (A) above of this Section 8.2.7(a) have been and/or will continue to be satisfied (including, without limitation, an agreement as to a reduced Ownership Limit or Excepted Holder Limit for such Person with respect to the Beneficial Ownership or Constructive Ownership of one or more other classes or series of shares of Capital Stock not subject to the exception), and such Person agrees that any violation of such representations and undertakings or any attempted violation thereof will result in the application of the remedies set forth in Section 8.2 with respect to shares of Capital Stock held in excess of the Ownership Limit or the Excepted Holder Limit (as may be applicable) with respect to such Person (determined without regard to the exception granted such Person under this subparagraph (a)). If a member of the Board of Directors requests that the Board of Directors grant an exception pursuant to this subparagraph (a) with respect to such member, or with respect to any other Person if such Board member would be considered to be the Beneficial Owner or Constructive Owner of shares of Capital Stock owned by such other Person, such member of the Board of Directors shall not participate in the decision of the Board of Directors as to whether to grant any such exception.

(b) In addition to exceptions permitted under subparagraph (a) above, the Board of Directors, in its sole and absolute discretion, may grant to any Person who makes a request therefor (a "Requesting Person") an exception from the Ownership Limit (or one or more elements thereof) if: (i) such Person submits to the Board of Directors information satisfactory to the Board of Directors, in its reasonable discretion, demonstrating that such Requesting Person is not an individual for purposes of Section 542(a)(2) of the Code (determined taking into account Section 856(h)(3)(A) of the Code); (ii) such Requesting Person submits to the Board of Directors information satisfactory to the Board of Directors, in its reasonable discretion, demonstrating that no Person who is an individual for purposes of Section 542(a)(2) of the Code (determined taking into account Section 856(h)(3)(A) of the Code) would be considered to Beneficially Own shares of Capital Stock in excess of the Ownership Limit by reason of the Requesting Person's ownership of shares of Capital Stock in excess of the Ownership Limit pursuant to the exception granted under this subparagraph (b); (iii) such Requesting Person submits to the Board of Directors information satisfactory to the Board of Directors, in its reasonable discretion, demonstrating that neither clause (2) nor clause (3) of subparagraph (a)(ii) of Section 8.2.1 will be violated by reason of the Requesting Person's ownership of shares of Capital Stock in excess of the Ownership Limit pursuant to the exception granted under this subparagraph (b); and (iv) such Requesting Person provides to the Board of Directors such representations and undertakings, if any, as the Board of Directors may, in its sole and absolute discretion, require to ensure that the

conditions in clauses (i), (ii) and (iii) hereof are satisfied and will continue to be satisfied throughout the period during which such Requesting Person owns shares of Capital Stock in excess of the Ownership Limit pursuant to any exception thereto granted under this subparagraph (b), and such Requesting Person agrees that any violation of such representations and undertakings or any attempted violation thereof will result in the application of the remedies set forth in Section 8.2 with respect to shares of Capital Stock held in excess of the Ownership Limit with respect to such Requesting Person (determined without regard to the exception granted such Requesting Person under this subparagraph (b)).

- (c) Prior to granting any exception or exemption pursuant to subparagraph (a) or (b), the Board of Directors may require a ruling from the IRS or an opinion of counsel, in either case in form and substance satisfactory to the Board of Directors, in its sole and absolute discretion as it may deem necessary or advisable in order to determine or ensure the Corporation's status as a REIT; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that the Board of Directors shall not be obligated to require obtaining a favorable ruling or opinion in order to grant an exception hereunder.
- (d) Subject to Section 8.2.1(a)(ii), an underwriter that participates in a public offering or a private placement of shares of Capital Stock (or securities convertible into or exchangeable for shares of Capital Stock) may Beneficially Own or Constructively Own shares of Capital Stock (or securities convertible into or exchangeable for shares of Capital Stock) in excess of the Ownership Limit, but only to the extent necessary to facilitate such public offering or private placement; and provided, that the ownership of shares of Capital Stock by such underwriter would not result in the Corporation being "closely held" within the meaning of Section 856(h) of the Code, or otherwise result in the Corporation's failing to qualify as a REIT. In this regard, at no time may either (x) an underwriter, or (y) any Person who would Constructively Own shares of Capital Stock owned by an underwriter Constructively Own, concurrently, 10% or more of the outstanding securities of any class or series of (i) the Corporation and any tenant or lessee of the Corporation (which, as of the Effective Date, includes Crestline Capital Corporation and its subsidiaries), or (ii) the Corporation (which, as of the Effective Date, includes Crestline Capital Corporation and its subsidiaries).
- (e) The Board of Directors may only reduce the Excepted Holder Limit for an Excepted Holder: (1) with the written consent of such Excepted Holder at any time or (2) pursuant to the terms and conditions of the agreements and undertakings entered into with such Excepted Holder in connection with the establishment of the Excepted Holder Limit for that Excepted Holder. No Excepted Holder Limit shall be reduced to a percentage that is less than the Ownership Limit.

Section 8.2.8 <u>Increase or Decrease in Ownership Limit</u>. The Board of Directors may from time to time increase or decrease the Ownership Limit, subject to the limitations provided in this Section 8.2.8.

- (a) Any decrease may be made only prospectively as to subsequent holders (other than a decrease as a result of a retroactive change in existing law, in which case such change shall be effective immediately).
- (b) The Ownership Limit may not be increased if, after giving effect to such increase, five Persons who are considered individuals pursuant to Section 542 of the Code, as modified by Section 856(h)(3) of the Code (taking into account all of the Excepted Holders), could Beneficially Own, in the aggregate, more than 49.5% of the value of the outstanding shares of Capital Stock.
- (c) Prior to the modification of the Ownership Limit pursuant to this Section 8.2.8, the Board of Directors may require such opinions of counsel, affidavits, undertakings or agreements as it may deem necessary or advisable in order to determine or ensure the Corporation's status as a REIT if the modification in the Ownership Limit were to be made.

Section 8.2.9 <u>Legend</u>. Each certificate for shares of Capital Stock (or securities exercisable for or convertible into shares of Capital Stock) shall bear substantially the following legend:

The shares of Capital Stock represented by this certificate are subject to restrictions on Beneficial Ownership and Constructive Ownership and Transfer primarily for the purpose of the Corporation's maintenance of its status as a real estate investment trust (a "REIT") under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"). Except as expressly provided in the Corporation's charter, (i) no Person may Beneficially Own or Constructively Own shares of Common Stock of the Corporation in excess of 9.8 percent (in value or number of shares, whichever is more restrictive) of the outstanding Common Stock of the Corporation unless such Person is an Excepted Holder (in which case the Excepted Holder Limit shall be applicable) or an Excluded Holder (in which case the Excluded Holder Limit shall be applicable); (ii) with respect to any class or series of Shares of Capital Stock other than Common Stock, no Person may Beneficially Own or Constructively Own more than 9.8 percent (in value or number of shares, whichever is more restrictive) of the outstanding shares of such class or series of such stock of the Corporation (collectively, (i) and (ii) are referred to herein as the "Ownership Limit"), unless such Person is an Excepted Holder (in which case the Excepted Holder Limit shall be applicable); (iii) no Person

may Beneficially Own or Constructively Own shares of Capital Stock that would result in the Corporation being "closely held" under Section 856(h) of the Code, would cause either the Corporation to be considered to Constructively Own an interest in a tenant that is described in Section 856(d)(2)(B) of the Code for purposes of applying Section 856(c) of the Code or Host Marriott, L.P. (or any successor thereto) to be considered to Constructively Own an interest in a tenant that is described in Section 856(d)(2)(B) of the Code for purposes of applying Section 7704(d) of the Code, or otherwise would cause the Corporation to fail to qualify as a REIT under the Code; and (iv) no Person may Transfer shares of Capital Stock if such Transfer would result in shares of Capital Stock of the Corporation being owned by fewer than 100 Persons, Notwithstanding the foregoing, commencing at 12:01 a.m. (Eastern Standard Time) on the day immediately following the effective date of the merger (the "Merger") of Host Marriott Corporation, a Delaware corporation, with and into the Corporation, no Excluded Holder shall Beneficially Own or Constructively Own shares of Capital Stock in excess of the Excluded Holder Limit for such Excluded Holder. An "Excepted Holder" means a stockholder of the Corporation for whom an Excepted Holder Limit is created by the Board of Directors. An "Excluded Holder" means any Person who acquires Constructive Ownership or Beneficial Ownership of shares of Common Stock solely by reason of the Transfer of Common Stock in the Merger and who, immediately following the Merger, either Beneficially Owns or Constructively Owns shares of Common Stock in excess of the Ownership Limit solely by reason of the Transfer of Common Stock in the Merger. The "Excluded Holder Limit" means, with respect to any Excluded Holder, the lesser of (i) shares of Capital Stock representing 9.9% (in value) of the outstanding shares of Capital Stock of the Corporation or (ii) the shares of Capital Stock that such Excluded Holder was considered to Constructively Own immediately following the Merger solely by reason of the Merger (taking into account only such shares of Capital Stock and no other shares as to which such Person may thereafter become, for any reason, the Constructive Owner or the Beneficial Owner), provided, however, that if at any time the Excluded Holder Limit for any Excluded Holder would be less than the Ownership Limit, such Excluded Holder shall cease to be an Excluded Holder and the

Ownership Limit shall thereafter apply to such Person. Any Person who Beneficially Owns or Constructively Own sor attempts to Beneficially Own or Constructively Own shares of Capital Stock which cause or will cause a Person to Beneficially Own or Constructively Own shares of Capital Stock in excess or in violation of the above limitations must immediately notify the Corporation. If any of the restrictions on Transfer are violated, the shares of Capital Stock represented hereby will be automatically transferred to a Charitable Trustee of a Charitable Trust for the benefit (except as otherwise provided in the charter of the Corporation) of one or more Charitable Beneficiaries. In addition, upon the occurrence of certain events, attempted Transfers in violation of the restrictions described above may be void ab initio. A Person who attempts to Beneficially Own or Constructively Own shares of Capital Stock in violation of the Transfer restrictions described above shall have no claim, cause of action or any recourse whatsoever against a transferor of such shares of Capital Stock. All capitalized terms in this legend have the meanings defined in the Corporation's charter, as the same may be amended from time to time, a copy of which, including the restrictions on Transfer, will be furnished to each holder of shares of Capital Stock of the Corporation on request and without charge.

Instead of the foregoing legend, the certificate may state that the Corporation will furnish a full statement about certain restrictions on transferability to a stockholder on request and without charge.

#### Section 8.3 Transfer of Shares of Capital Stock in the Corporation.

Section 8.3.1 Ownership in Trust. Upon any purported Transfer or other event described in Section 8.2.1(b) that would result in a transfer of shares of Capital Stock to a Charitable Trust, such shares of Capital Stock shall be deemed to have been transferred to the Charitable Trustee as trustee of a Charitable Trust for the exclusive benefit of one or more Charitable Beneficiaries (except to the extent otherwise provided in Section 8.3.5). Such transfer to the Charitable Trustee shall be deemed to be effective (i) as of 12:01 a.m. (Eastern Standard Time) on the Restriction Date, as to any Person who Beneficially Owns or Constructively Owns shares of Capital Stock in violation of Section 8.2.1(a)(ii) or 8.2.1(a)(iii) or 8.2.1(a)(iii) as of such time and date as a result of the Merger and the Transfer of shares of Capital Stock to holders of shares of Host Marriott Corporation or (ii) as of the close of business on the Business Day prior to any other purported Transfer or other event that otherwise results in the transfer to the Charitable Trust pursuant to Section 8.2.1(b) (or as of the close of business on the Effective Date if such other purported Transfer or other event occurs on that date). The

Charitable Trustee shall be appointed by the Corporation and shall be a Person unaffiliated with the Corporation and any Prohibited Owner. Each Charitable Beneficiary shall be designated by the Corporation as provided in Section 8.3.7.

Section 8.3.2 <u>Status of Shares of Capital Stock Held by the Charitable Trustee</u>. Shares of Capital Stock held by the Charitable Trustee shall be issued and outstanding shares of Capital Stock of the Corporation. The Prohibited Owner shall have no rights in the shares of Capital Stock held by the Charitable Trustee. The Prohibited Owner shall not benefit economically from ownership of any shares of Capital Stock held in trust by the Charitable Trustee (except to the extent otherwise provided in Section 8.3.5), shall have no rights to dividends or other distributions, and shall not possess any rights to vote or other rights attributable to the shares of Capital Stock held in the Charitable Trust. The Prohibited Owner shall have no claim, cause of action or other recourse whatsoever against the purported transferor of such shares of Capital Stock.

Section 8.3.3 <u>Dividend and Voting Rights</u>. The Charitable Trustee shall have all voting rights and rights to dividends or other distributions with respect to shares of Capital Stock held in the Charitable Trust, which rights shall be exercised for the exclusive benefit of the Charitable Beneficiary (except to the extent otherwise provided in Section 8.3.5). Any dividend or other distribution paid prior to the discovery by the Corporation that shares of Capital Stock have been transferred to the Charitable Trustee shall be paid with respect to such shares of Capital Stock to the Charitable Trustee upon demand and any dividend or other distribution authorized but unpaid shall be paid when due to the Charitable Trustee. Any dividends or distributions so paid over to the Charitable Trustee shall be held in trust for the Charitable Beneficiary. The Prohibited Owner shall have no voting rights with respect to shares of Capital Stock held in the Charitable Trust and, subject to Maryland law, effective as of the date that shares of Capital Stock have been transferred to the Charitable Trustee, the Charitable Trustee shall have the authority (at the Charitable Trustee's sole discretion) (i) to rescind as void any vote cast by a Prohibited Owner prior to the discovery by the Corporation that shares of Capital Stock have been transferred to the Charitable Trustee and (ii) to recast such vote in accordance with the desires of the Charitable Trustee acting for the benefit of the Charitable Beneficiary; provided, however, that if the Corporation has already taken irreversible action, then the Charitable Trustee shall not have the power to rescind and recast such vote. Notwithstanding the provisions of this Article VIII, until the Corporation has received notification that shares of Capital Stock have been transferred into a Charitable Trust, the Corporation shall be entitled to rely on its share transfer and other shareholder records for purposes of preparing lists of stockholders entitled to vote at meetings, determining t

Section 8.3.4 <u>Rights Upon Liquidation</u>. Upon any voluntary or involuntary liquidation, dissolution or winding up of or any distribution of the assets of the Corporation, the Charitable Trustee shall be entitled to receive, ratably with each other holder of shares of Capital Stock of the class or series of shares of Capital Stock that is held in the Charitable Trust, that portion of the assets of the Corporation available

for distribution to the holders of such class or series (determined based upon the ratio that the number of shares of such class or series of shares of Capital Stock held by the Charitable Trustee bears to the total number of shares of Capital Stock of such class or series of shares of Capital Stock then outstanding). The Charitable Trustee shall distribute any such assets received in respect of the shares of Capital Stock held in the Charitable Trust in any liquidation, dissolution or winding up or distribution of the assets of the Corporation in accordance with Section 8.3.5.

#### Section 8.3.5 Sale of Shares by Charitable Trustee.

- (a) Within 20 days of receiving notice from the Corporation that shares of Capital Stock have been transferred to the Charitable Trust, the Charitable Trust eof the Charitable Trust shall sell the shares of Capital Stock held in the Charitable Trust (together with the right to receive dividends or other distributions with respect to such shares of Capital Stock as to any shares of Capital Stock transferred to the Charitable Trustee as a result of the operation of Section 8.2.1(b)) to a person, designated by the Charitable Trustee, whose ownership of the shares of Capital Stock will not violate the ownership limitations set forth in Section 8.2.1(a). Upon such sale, the interest of the Charitable Beneficiary in the shares of Capital Stock sold shall terminate and the Charitable Trustee shall distribute the net proceeds of the sale to the Prohibited Owner and to the Charitable Beneficiary as provided in this Section 8.3.5.
- (b) A person who becomes a Prohibited Owner by virtue of the first sentence of Section 8.2.1(b) shall receive the lesser of (i) all of the net sales proceeds per share received by the Charitable Trustee from the sale or other disposition of such excess shares of Capital Stock held in the Charitable Trust, or (ii) an amount equal to the Closing Price of such excess shares of Capital Stock on the Effective Date, with the balance, if any, to be paid to the Charitable Beneficiary.
- (c) Any other Prohibited Owner shall receive the lesser of (1) the net price paid by the Prohibited Owner for the shares of Capital Stock or, if the Prohibited Owner did not give value for the shares of Capital Stock in connection with the event causing the shares of Capital Stock to be held in the Charitable Trust (*e.g.*, in the case of a gift, devise or other such transaction), the Market Price of the shares of Capital Stock on the day of the event causing the shares of Capital Stock to be held in the Charitable Trust, and (2) the net sales proceeds per share received by the Charitable Trustee from the sale or other disposition of the shares of Capital Stock held in the Charitable Trust. Any net sales proceeds in excess of the amount payable to the Prohibited Owner shall be immediately paid to the Charitable Beneficiary. If, prior to the discovery by the Corporation that shares of Capital Stock have been transferred to the Charitable Trustee, such shares of Capital Stock are sold by a Prohibited Owner, then (i) such shares of Capital Stock shall be deemed to have been sold on behalf of the Charitable Trust and (ii) to the extent that the Prohibited Owner received an amount for such shares of Capital Stock that exceeds the amount that such Prohibited Owner was entitled to receive pursuant to this Section 8.3.5, such excess shall be paid to the Charitable Trustee upon demand.

Section 8.3.6 <u>Purchase Right in Shares of Capital Stock Transferred to the Charitable Trustee</u>. Shares of Capital Stock transferred to the Charitable Trustee shall be deemed to have been offered for sale to the Corporation, or its designee, at a price per share equal to the lesser of (i) the price per share in the transaction that resulted in such transfer to the Charitable Trust (or, in the case of a devise, gift or other such transaction, the Market Price of the shares of Capital Stock on the day of the event causing the shares of Capital Stock to be held in the Charitable Trust) and (ii) the Market Price on the date the Corporation, or its designee, accepts such offer. The Corporation shall have the right to accept such offer until the Charitable Trustee has sold the shares of Capital Stock held in the Charitable Trust pursuant to Section 8.3.5. Upon such a sale to the Corporation, the interest of the Charitable Beneficiary in the shares of Capital Stock sold shall terminate and the Charitable Trustee shall distribute the net proceeds of the sale to the Prohibited Owner.

Section 8.3.7. <u>Designation of Charitable Beneficiaries</u>. By written notice to the Charitable Trustee, the Corporation shall designate from time to time one or more nonprofit organizations to be the Charitable Beneficiary of the interest in the Charitable Trust such that (i) shares of Capital Stock held in the Charitable Trust would not violate the restrictions set forth in Section 8.2.1(a) in the hands of such Charitable Beneficiary and (ii) each such organization must be described in Sections 501(c)(3), 170(b)(1)(A) or 170(c)(2) of the Code and contributions to each such organization must be eligible for deduction under each of Sections 170(b)(1)(A), 2055 and 2522 of the Code. In the absence of any such determination by the Corporation, the Charitable Beneficiary shall be the United Way of the National Capital Area.

Section 8.4 Restrictions on Ownership and Transfer of Shares of Capital Stock by Benefit Plans.

Section 8.4.1 <u>Ownership Limitations</u>. Notwithstanding any other provisions herein, if and to the extent that any class or series of shares of Capital Stock do not constitute Publicly Offered Securities, then Benefit Plan Investors may not, on any date, hold, individually or in the aggregate, 25 percent or more of the value of such class or series of Shares of Capital Stock. For purposes of determining whether Benefit Plan Investors hold, individually or in the aggregate, 25 percent or more of the value of such class or series of shares of Capital Stock, the value of shares of Capital Stock of such class held by any director or officer of the Corporation, or any other Person who has discretionary authority or control with respect to the assets of the Corporation, or any Person who provides investment advice for a fee to the Corporation in connection with its assets, or an "affiliate" of such person, as defined in 29 C.F.R. Section 2510.3-101(f)(3), or any successor regulation thereto, shall be disregarded.

Section 8.4.2 <u>Remedies for Violations by Benefit Plan Investors</u>. If the Board of Directors or any duly authorized committee thereof shall at any time determine in good faith that (i) a Transfer or other event has taken place that results in a violation of Section 8.4.1 or will otherwise result in the underlying assets and property of the

Corporation becoming assets of any ERISA Investor or (ii) that a Person intends to acquire or has attempted to acquire or hold shares of Capital Stock in a manner that will result in a violation of Section 8.4.1 or will otherwise result in the underlying assets and property of the Corporation becoming assets of any ERISA Investor, the Board of Directors or a committee thereof shall take such action as it deems advisable to mitigate, prevent or cure the consequences that might result to the Corporation from such Transfer or other event, including without limitation, refusing to give effect to or preventing such Transfer or event through redemption of such shares of Capital Stock or refusal to give effect to the Transfer or event on the books of the Corporation or instituting proceedings to enjoin such Transfer or other event.

Section 8.4.3 <u>Information on Benefit Plan Status</u>. Any Person who acquires or attempts or intends to acquire or hold shares of Capital Stock shall provide to the Corporation such information as the Corporation may request in order to determine whether such acquisition or holding has resulted or will result in a violation of Section 8.4.1 or otherwise has resulted or will result in the underlying assets and property of the Corporation becoming assets of any ERISA Investor, including the name and address of any Person for whom a nominee holds shares of Capital Stock and whether the underlying assets of such Person include assets of any Benefit Plan Investor.

Section 8.5 <u>NYSE Transactions</u>. Nothing in this Article VIII shall preclude the settlement of any transaction entered into through the facilities of the NYSE or any other national securities exchange or automated inter-dealer quotation system. The fact that the settlement of any transaction takes place shall not negate the effect of any other provision of this Article VIII and any transferee in such a transaction shall be subject to all of the provisions and limitations set forth in this Article VIII.

Section 8.6 Enforcement. The Corporation is authorized specifically to seek equitable relief, including injunctive relief, to enforce the provisions of this Article VIII.

Section 8.7 <u>Non-Waiver</u>. No delay or failure on the part of the Corporation or the Board of Directors in exercising any right hereunder shall operate as a waiver of any right of the Corporation or the Board of Directors, as the case may be, except to the extent specifically waived in writing.

Section 8.8 <u>Enforceability</u>. If any of the restrictions on transfer of shares of Capital Stock contained in this Article VIII are determined to be void, invalid or unenforceable by any court of competent jurisdiction, then the Prohibited Owner may be deemed, at the option of the Corporation, to have acted as an agent of the Corporation in acquiring such shares and to hold such shares on behalf of the Corporation.

Section 8.9 <u>Amendments</u>. Notwithstanding any other provisions of the charter or Bylaws of the Corporation, the affirmative vote of stockholders holding at least two-thirds of all of the votes entitled to be cast thereon shall be required to amend, alter, change, repeal, or adopt any provisions inconsistent with, the provisions of this ARTICLE VIII.

#### ARTICLE IX

#### Merger, Consolidation, Share Exchange or Transfer of Assets

Subject to the terms of any class or series of Capital Stock at the time outstanding, the Corporation may merge with or into another entity, may consolidate with one or more other entities, may participate in a share exchange or may transfer its assets within the meaning of the MGCL, but any such merger, consolidation, share exchange or transfer of its assets must be approved (i) by the Board of Directors in the manner provided in the MGCL and (ii) by the stockholders by the affirmative vote of two-thirds of all votes entitled to be cast thereon to the extent a stockholder vote is required under the MGCL to effect any such transaction. Notwithstanding the foregoing, any merger of the Corporation with or into a trust organized for the purpose of changing the Corporation's form of organization from a corporation to a trust shall require the approval of stockholders of the Corporation by the affirmative vote only of a majority of all the votes entitled to be cast on the matter, <u>provided</u> that (i) the shareholders of the trust immediately following the merger are the same as the stockholders of the Corporation immediately prior to the merger and (ii) the trust's declaration of trust contains amendment provisions substantially equivalent to those contained in Section 7(d), Section 8.9, the last sentence of this Article IX and Section 10(a)(7) hereof. Notwithstanding any other provisions of the charter or Bylaws of the Corporation, the affirmative vote of stockholders holding at least two-thirds of all of the votes entitled to be cast thereon shall be required to amend, alter, change, repeal, or adopt any provisions inconsistent with, the provisions of this ARTICLE IX.

# ARTICLE X Miscellaneous Provisions

Section 10(a) <u>Additional Provisions</u>. The following provisions are hereby adopted for the purpose of defining, limiting, and regulating the powers of the Corporation and of the directors and stockholders of the Corporation:

- (1) <u>Authority to Issue Stock</u>. The Board of Directors is hereby empowered to authorize the issuance from time to time of shares of stock of the Corporation of any class or series, whether now or hereafter authorized, or securities convertible into shares of its stock of any class or classes, whether now or hereafter authorized, for such consideration as may be deemed advisable by the Board of Directors and without any action by the stockholders.
- (2) <u>No Preemptive Rights</u>. No stockholder of the Corporation shall have preemptive rights to purchase, subscribe for, or otherwise acquire any stock or other securities of the Corporation, and any and all preemptive rights are hereby denied; other than such, if any, as the Board of Directors, in its sole discretion, may determine and at such price or prices and upon such other terms as the Board of Directors, in its sole discretion, may fix; and any stock or other securities which the Board of Directors may determine to offer for subscription may, as the Board of Directors in its sole discretion

shall determine, be offered to the holders of any class, series or type of stock or other securities at the time outstanding to the exclusion of the holders of any or all other classes, series or types of stock or other securities at the time outstanding.

- (3) Indemnification. The Corporation shall indemnify (A) its directors and officers, whether serving the Corporation or at its request any other entity, to the full extent required or permitted by the general laws of the State of Maryland now or hereafter in force, including the advance of expenses under the procedures and to the full extent permitted by law and (B) other employees and agents to such extent as shall be authorized by the Board of Directors or the Bylaws and be permitted by law. The foregoing rights of indemnification shall not be exclusive of any other rights to which those seeking indemnification may be entitled. The Board of Directors may take such action as is necessary to carry out these indemnification provisions and is expressly empowered to adopt, approve and amend from time to time such by-laws, resolutions, or contracts implementing such provisions or such further indemnification arrangements as may be permitted by law. No amendment of the charter of the Corporation or repeal of any of its provisions shall limit or eliminate the right to indemnification provided hereunder with respect to any act or omission occurring prior to such amendment or repeal.
- (4) <u>Liability of Directors and Officers</u>. To the fullest extent permitted by Maryland statutory or decisional law, as amended or interpreted, no director or officer of this Corporation shall be personally liable to the Corporation or its stockholders for money damages. No amendment of the charter of the Corporation or repeal of any of its provisions shall limit or eliminate the benefits provided to directors and officers under this provision with respect to any act or omission which occurred prior to such amendment or repeal.
- (5) <u>Call of Special Meetings of Stockholders</u>. A special meeting of the stockholders of the Corporation may be called by the President, the Board of Directors or any other person specified in the Bylaws. The Secretary of the Corporation shall also call a special meeting of the stockholders on the written request of stockholders entitled to cast 25% of all the votes entitled to be cast at the meeting. Unless requested by stockholders entitled to cast a majority of all the votes entitled to be cast at such meeting, a stockholder-requested special meeting need not be called to consider any matter which is substantially the same as a matter voted on at a meeting of the stockholders held during the preceding 12 months.
- (6) <u>Bylaws</u>. The Bylaws of the Corporation may be altered, amended or repealed, in whole or in part, and new Bylaws may be adopted by the Board of Directors or by the stockholders of the Corporation. Any such alterations, amendments or repeals, or new Bylaws approved by the stockholders shall be approved by the affirmative vote of the holders of a majority of the shares entitled to be cast on the matter.
- (7) <u>Amendments</u>. The Corporation reserves the right from time to time to make any amendments of its charter which may now or hereafter be authorized by law,

including without limitation any amendments changing the terms or contract rights, as expressly set forth in the charter, of any of its outstanding stock by classification, reclassification or otherwise. Except as otherwise provided in the charter of the Corporation, any amendment to the charter shall be valid only if approved by the affirmative vote of stockholders of the Corporation holding not less than a majority of all the votes entitled to be cast on the matter. Notwithstanding any other provisions of the charter or Bylaws of the Corporation, the affirmative vote of stockholders holding at least two-thirds of all of the votes entitled to be cast thereon shall be required to amend, alter, change, repeal, or adopt any provisions inconsistent with, the provisions of Section 10(a) of this ARTICLE X.

Section 10(b) No Limitation of Powers. The enumeration and definition of particular powers of the Board of Directors included herein shall in no way be limited or restricted by reference to or inference from the terms of any other clause of this or any other Article or the charter of the Corporation, or construed as or deemed by inference or otherwise in any manner to exclude or limit any powers conferred upon the Board of Directors under the general laws of the State of Maryland now or hereinafter in force.

#### **EXHIBIT A**

#### HOST HOTELS & RESORTS, INC.

#### ARTICLES SUPPLEMENTARY

Host Hotels & Resorts, Inc., a Maryland corporation (the "Company"), hereby certifies to the State Department of Assessments and Taxation of Maryland, that:

FIRST: Under a power contained in Section 3-802(c) of the Maryland General Corporation Law (the "MGCL"), the Company, by unanimous written consent resolution of its Board of Directors (the "Board of Directors") prohibited the Company from electing to be subject to Section 3-803 of the MGCL as provided herein.

SECOND: The resolution referred to above provides that the Company is prohibited from electing to be subject to the provisions of Section 3-803 of the MGCL, and that the foregoing prohibition may not be repealed unless the repeal of such prohibition is approved by the stockholders of the Company by the affirmative vote of at least a majority of the votes cast on the matter by stockholders entitled to vote generally in the election of directors.

THIRD: The election to prohibit the Company from becoming subject to Section 3-803 of the MGCL without the stockholder approval referenced above has been approved by the Board of Directors in the manner and by the vote required by law.

FOURTH: The undersigned officer acknowledges these Articles Supplementary to be the act of the Company and, as to all matters or facts required to be verified under oath, the undersigned officer acknowledges that, to the best of his knowledge, information and belief, these matters and facts are true in all material respects and that this statement is made under the penalties for perjury.

#### **HOST HOTELS & RESORTS, INC.**

#### **BYLAWS**

#### ARTICLE I

#### **OFFICES**

Section 1. <u>PRINCIPAL OFFICE</u>. The principal office of the Corporation in the State of Maryland shall be located at such place as the Board of Directors may designate.

Section 2. <u>ADDITIONAL OFFICES</u>. The Corporation may have additional offices, including a principal executive office, at such places as the Board of Directors may from time to time determine or the business of the Corporation may require.

#### **ARTICLE II**

#### MEETINGS OF STOCKHOLDERS

- Section 1. <u>PLACE</u>. All meetings of stockholders shall be held at the principal executive office of the Corporation or at such other place as shall be set by the Board of Directors and stated in the notice of the meeting.
- Section 2. <u>ANNUAL MEETING</u>. An annual meeting of the stockholders for the election of directors and the transaction of any business within the powers of the Corporation shall be held on the date and at the time set by the Board of Directors.

#### Section 3. <u>SPECIAL MEETINGS</u>.

- (a) <u>General</u>. The chair of the board, president, chief executive officer or Board of Directors may call a special meeting of the stockholders. Subject to subsection (b) of this Section 3, a special meeting of stockholders shall also be called by the secretary of the Corporation to act on any matter that may properly be considered at a meeting of stockholders upon the written request of stockholders as provided in Article X, Section 10(a)(5) of the charter of the Corporation.
- (b) <u>Stockholder-Requested Special Meetings</u>. (1) Any stockholder of record seeking to have stockholders request a special meeting shall, by sending written notice to the secretary (the "Record Date Request Notice") by registered mail, return receipt requested, request the Board of Directors to fix a record date to determine the stockholders entitled to request a special meeting (the "Request Record Date"). The Record Date Request Notice shall

set forth the purpose of the meeting and the matters proposed to be acted on at it, shall be signed by one or more stockholders of record as of the date of signature (or their agents duly authorized in a writing accompanying the Record Date Request Notice), shall bear the date of signature of each such stockholder (or such agent) and shall set forth all information relating to each such stockholder and each matter proposed to be acted on at the meeting that would be required to be disclosed in connection with the solicitation of proxies for the election of directors in an election contest (even if an election contest is not involved), or would otherwise be required in connection with such a solicitation, in each case pursuant to Regulation 14A (or any successor provision) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"). Upon receiving the Record Date Request Notice, the Board of Directors may fix a Request Record Date. The Request Record Date shall not precede and shall not be more than ten days after the close of business on the date on which the resolution fixing the Request Record Date is adopted by the Board of Directors. If the Board of Directors, within ten days after the date on which a valid Record Date Request Notice is received, fails to adopt a resolution fixing the Request Record Date shall be the close of business on the tenth day after the first date on which the Record Date Request Notice is received by the secretary.

- (2) In order for any stockholder to request a special meeting to act on any matter that may properly be considered at a meeting of stockholders, one or more written requests for a special meeting (collectively, the "Special Meeting Request") signed by stockholders of record (or their agents duly authorized in a writing accompanying the request) as of the Request Record Date entitled to cast not less than a majority of all of the votes entitled to be cast on such matter at such meeting (the "Special Meeting Percentage") shall be delivered to the secretary. In addition, the Special Meeting Request shall (a) set forth the purpose of the meeting and the matters proposed to be acted on at it (which shall be limited to those lawful matters set forth in the Record Date Request Notice received by the secretary), (b) bear the date of signature of each such stockholder (or such agent) signing the Special Meeting Request, (c) set forth (i) the name and address, as they appear in the Corporation's books, of each stockholder signing such request (or on whose behalf the Special Meeting Request is signed), (ii) the class, series and number of all shares of stock of the Corporation which are owned (beneficially or of record) by such stockholder and (iii) the nominee holder for, and number of, shares of stock of the Corporation owned beneficially but not of record by such stockholder, (d) be sent to the secretary by registered mail, return receipt requested, and (e) be received by the secretary within 60 days after the Request Record Date. Any requesting stockholder (or agent duly authorized in a writing accompanying the revocation or the Special Meeting Request) may revoke his, her or its request for a special meeting at any time by written revocation delivered to the secretary.
- (3) The secretary shall inform the requesting stockholders of the reasonably estimated cost of preparing and delivering the notice of the meeting (including the Corporation's proxy materials). The secretary shall not be required to call a special meeting upon stockholder request and such meeting shall not be held unless, in addition to the documents required by paragraph (2) of this Section 3(b), the secretary receives payment of such reasonably estimated cost prior to the preparation and delivery of any notice of the meeting.
- (4) In the case of any special meeting called by the secretary upon the request of stockholders (a "Stockholder-Requested Meeting"), such meeting shall be held at such place,

date and time as may be designated by the Board of Directors; <u>provided</u>, however, that the date of any Stockholder-Requested Meeting shall be not more than 90 days after the record date for such meeting (the "Meeting Record Date"); and <u>provided further</u> that if the Board of Directors fails to designate, within ten days after the date that a valid Special Meeting Request is actually received by the secretary (the "Delivery Date"), a date and time for a Stockholder-Requested Meeting, then such meeting shall be held at 2:00 p.m. local time on the 90<sup>th</sup> day after the Meeting Record Date or, if such 90<sup>th</sup> day is not a Business Day (as defined below), on the first preceding Business Day; and <u>provided further</u> that in the event that the Board of Directors fails to designate a place for a Stockholder-Requested Meeting within ten days after the Delivery Date, then such meeting shall be held at the principal executive office of the Corporation. In fixing a date for any special meeting, the chair of the board, chief executive officer, president or Board of Directors may consider such factors as he, she or it deems relevant, including, without limitation, the nature of the matters to be considered, the facts and circumstances surrounding any request for the meeting and any plan of the Board of Directors to call an annual meeting or a special meeting. In the case of any Stockholder-Requested Meeting, if the Board of Directors fails to fix a Meeting Record Date that is a date within 30 days after the Delivery Date, then the close of business on the 30<sup>th</sup> day after the Delivery Date shall be the Meeting Record Date. The Board of Directors may revoke the notice for any Stockholder-Requested Meeting in the event that the requesting stockholders fail to comply with the provisions of paragraph (3) of this Section 3(b).

- (5) If written revocations of the Special Meeting Request have been delivered to the secretary and the result is that stockholders of record (or their agents duly authorized in writing), as of the Request Record Date, entitled to cast less than the Special Meeting Percentage have delivered, and not revoked, requests for a special meeting to the secretary: (i) if the notice of meeting has not already been delivered, the secretary shall refrain from delivering the notice of the meeting and send to all requesting stockholders who have not revoked such requests written notice of any revocation of a request for the special meeting, or (ii) if the notice of meeting has been delivered and if the secretary first sends to all requesting stockholders who have not revoked requests for a special meeting on a matter written notice of any revocation of a request for the special meeting and written notice of the Company's intention to revoke the notice of the meeting or for the chairman of the meeting to adjourn the meeting without action on the matter, (A) the secretary may revoke the notice of the meeting at any time before ten days before the commencement of the meeting or (B) the chairman of the meeting may call the meeting to order and adjourn the meeting without acting on the matter. Any request for a special meeting received after a revocation by the secretary of a notice of a meeting shall be considered a request for a new special meeting.
- (6) The chair of the board, chief executive officer, president or Board of Directors may appoint regionally or nationally recognized independent inspectors of elections to act as the agent of the Corporation for the purpose of promptly performing a ministerial review of the validity of any purported Special Meeting Request received by the secretary. For the purpose of permitting the inspectors to perform such review, no such purported Special Meeting Request shall be deemed to have been delivered to the secretary until the earlier of (i) five Business Days after receipt by the secretary of such purported request and (ii) such date as the independent inspectors certify to the Corporation that the valid requests received by the secretary represent, as of the Request Record Date, stockholders of record entitled to cast not less than the Special

Meeting Percentage. Nothing contained in this paragraph (6) shall in any way be construed to suggest or imply that the Corporation or any stockholder shall not be entitled to contest the validity of any request, whether during or after such five Business Day period, or to take any other action (including, without limitation, the commencement, prosecution or defense of any litigation with respect thereto, and the seeking of injunctive relief in such litigation).

(7) For purposes of these Bylaws, "Business Day" shall mean any day other than a Saturday, a Sunday or a day on which banking institutions in the State of Maryland are authorized or obligated by law or executive order to close.

Section 4. NOTICE. Not less than ten nor more than 90 days before each meeting of stockholders, the secretary shall give to each stockholder entitled to vote at such meeting and to each stockholder not entitled to vote who is entitled to notice of the meeting notice in writing or by electronic transmission stating the time and place of the meeting and, in the case of a special meeting or as otherwise may be required by any statute, the purpose for which the meeting is called, by mail, by presenting it to such stockholder personally, by leaving it at the stockholder's residence or usual place of business or by any other means permitted by Maryland law. If mailed, such notice shall be deemed to be given when deposited in the United States mail addressed to the stockholder at the stockholder's address as it appears on the records of the Corporation, with postage thereon prepaid. If transmitted electronically, such notice shall be deemed to be given when transmitted to the stockholder by an electronic transmission to any address or number of the stockholder at which the stockholder receives electronic transmissions. A single notice to all stockholders who share an address shall be effective as to any stockholder at such address who consents to such notice or after having been notified of the Corporation's intent to give a single notice fails to object in writing to such single notice within 60 days. Failure to give notice of any meeting to one or more stockholders, or any irregularity in such notice, shall not affect the validity of any meeting fixed in accordance with this Article II, or the validity of any proceedings at any such meeting.

Subject to Section 11(a) of this Article II, any business of the Corporation may be transacted at an annual meeting of stockholders without being specifically designated in the notice, except such business as is required by any statute to be stated in such notice. No business shall be transacted at a special meeting of stockholders except as specifically designated in the notice. The Corporation may postpone or cancel a meeting of stockholders by making a "public announcement" (as defined in Section 11(c)(3)) of such postponement or cancellation prior to the meeting. Notice of the date to which the meeting is postponed shall be given not less than ten days prior to such date and otherwise in the manner set forth in this section.

Section 5. ORGANIZATION AND CONDUCT. Every meeting of stockholders shall be conducted by an individual appointed by the Board of Directors to be chair of the meeting or, in the absence of such appointment, by the chair of the board or, in the case of a vacancy in the office or absence of the chair of the board, by one of the following officers present at the meeting: the vice chair of the board, if there is one, the president, the vice presidents in their order of rank and seniority, or, in the absence of such officers, a chair chosen by the stockholders by the vote of a majority of the votes cast by stockholders present in person or by proxy. The secretary, or, in the secretary's absence, an assistant secretary, or in the absence of both the secretary and assistant secretaries, a person appointed by the Board of

Directors or, in the absence of such appointment, a person appointed by the chair of the meeting shall act as secretary. In the event that the secretary presides at a meeting of the stockholders, an assistant secretary, or in the absence of assistant secretaries, an individual appointed by the Board of Directors or the chair of the meeting, shall record the minutes of the meeting. The order of business and all other matters of procedure at any meeting of stockholders shall be determined by the chair of the meeting. The chair of the meeting may prescribe such rules, regulations and procedures and take such action as, in the discretion of the chair and without any action by the stockholders, are appropriate for the proper conduct of the meeting, including, without limitation, (a) restricting admission to the time set for the commencement of the meeting; (b) limiting attendance at the meeting to stockholders of record of the Corporation, their duly authorized proxies and other such individuals as the chair of the meeting may determine; (c) limiting participation at the meeting on any matter to stockholders of record of the Corporation entitled to vote on such matter, their duly authorized proxies and other such individuals as the chair of the meeting may determine; (d) limiting the time allotted to questions or comments by participants; (e) determining when the polls should be opened and closed; (f) maintaining order and security at the meeting; (g) removing any stockholder or any other individual who refuses to comply with meeting procedures, rules or guidelines as set forth by the chair of the meeting; (h) concluding a meeting or recessing or adjourning the meeting to a later date and time and at a place announced at the meeting; and (i) complying with any state and local laws and regulations concerning safety and security. Unless otherwise determined by the chair of the meetings of stockholders shall not be required to be held in accordance with the rules of parliamentary procedure.

Section 6. <u>QUORUM</u>. At any meeting of stockholders, the presence in person or by proxy of stockholders entitled to cast a majority of all the votes entitled to be cast at such meeting on any matter shall constitute a quorum; but this section shall not affect any requirement under any statute or the charter of the Corporation for the vote necessary for the adoption of any measure. If, however, such quorum shall not be present at any meeting of the stockholders, the chair of the meeting may adjourn the meeting from time to time to a date not more than 120 days after the original record date without notice other than announcement at the meeting. At such adjourned meeting at which a quorum shall be present, any business may be transacted which might have been transacted at the meeting as originally notified.

The stockholders present either in person or by proxy, at a meeting which has been duly called and at which a quorum was established, may continue to transact business until adjournment, notwithstanding the withdrawal of enough stockholders to leave less than a quorum.

Section 7. <u>VOTING</u>. Except as otherwise provided in this Section, each director shall be elected by a majority of the total votes cast for and against such director nominee at a meeting of stockholders duly called and at which a quorum is present. Directors shall be elected by a plurality of votes cast at a meeting of stockholders duly called and at which a quorum is present for which (i) the secretary of the Corporation receives notice that a stockholder has nominated an individual for election as a director in compliance with the requirements of advance notice of stockholder nominees for director set forth in Article II, Section 11 of these Bylaws, and (ii) such nomination has not been withdrawn by such

stockholder on or prior to the date of the definitive proxy statement of the Corporation, as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission, and, as a result of which, there are more nominees than directorships. Each share may be voted for as many individuals as there are directors to be elected and for whose election the share is entitled to be voted. Stockholders are not entitled to cumulative voting in the election of directors. A majority of the votes cast at a meeting of stockholders duly called and at which a quorum is present shall be sufficient to approve any other matter which may properly come before the meeting, unless more than a majority of the votes cast is required by statute or by the charter of the Corporation. Unless otherwise provided by statute or by the charter, each outstanding share, regardless of class, shall be entitled to one vote on each matter submitted to a vote at a meeting of stockholders. Voting on any question or in any election may be by voice vote unless the chair of the meeting shall order that voting be by ballot.

Section 8. PROXIES. A stockholder may cast the votes entitled to be cast by the holder of the shares of stock owned of record by the stockholder in person or by proxy executed by the stockholder or by the stockholder's duly authorized agent in any manner permitted by law. Such proxy or evidence of authorization of such proxy shall be filed with the secretary of the Corporation before or at the meeting. No proxy shall be valid more than eleven months after its date unless otherwise provided in the proxy.

Section 9. <u>VOTING OF STOCK BY CERTAIN HOLDERS</u>. Stock of the Corporation registered in the name of a corporation, limited liability corporation, partnership, trust or other entity, if entitled to be voted, may be voted by the president or a vice president, a member manager, a general partner or trustee thereof, as the case may be, or a proxy appointed by any of the foregoing individuals, unless some other person who has been appointed to vote such stock pursuant to a bylaw or a resolution of the governing body of such corporation or other entity or agreement of the partners of a partnership presents a certified copy of such bylaw, resolution or agreement, in which case such person may vote such stock. Any director or other fiduciary may vote stock registered in his or her name in his or her capacity as such fiduciary, either in person or by proxy.

Shares of stock of the Corporation directly or indirectly owned by it shall not be voted at any meeting and shall not be counted in determining the total number of outstanding shares entitled to be voted at any given time, unless they are held by it in a fiduciary capacity, in which case they may be voted and shall be counted in determining the total number of outstanding shares at any given time.

The Board of Directors may adopt by resolution a procedure by which a stockholder may certify in writing to the Corporation that any shares of stock registered in the name of the stockholder are held for the account of a specified person other than the stockholder. The resolution shall set forth the class of stockholders who may make the certification, the purpose for which the certification may be made, the form of certification and the information to be contained in it; if the certification is with respect to a record date, the time after the record date within which the certification must be received by the Corporation; and any other provisions with respect to the procedure which the Board of Directors considers necessary or desirable. On receipt of such certification, the person specified in the certification shall be regarded as, for the

purposes set forth in the certification, the stockholder of record of the specified stock in place of the stockholder who makes the certification.

Section 10. <u>INSPECTORS</u>. The Board of Directors or the chair of the meeting may appoint, before or at the meeting, one or more inspectors for the meeting and any successor thereto. The inspectors, if any, shall (i) determine the number of shares of stock represented at the meeting, in person or by proxy, and the validity and effect of proxies, (ii) receive and tabulate all votes, ballots or consents, (iii) report such tabulation to the chair of the meeting, (iv) hear and determine all challenges and questions arising in connection with the right to vote, and (v) do such acts as are proper to fairly conduct the election or vote. Each such report shall be in writing and signed by him or her or by a majority of them if there is more than one inspector acting at such meeting. If there is more than one inspector, the report of a majority shall be the report of the inspectors. The report of the inspector or inspectors on the number of shares represented at the meeting and the results of the voting shall be <u>prima facie</u> evidence thereof.

# Section 11. ADVANCE NOTICE OF STOCKHOLDER NOMINEES FOR DIRECTOR AND OTHER STOCKHOLDER PROPOSALS.

- (a) Annual Meetings of Stockholders. (1) Nominations of individuals for election to the Board of Directors and the proposal of other business to be considered by the stockholders may be made at an annual meeting of stockholders (i) pursuant to the Corporation's notice of meeting, (ii) by or at the direction of the Board of Directors or (iii) by any stockholder of the Corporation who was a stockholder of record both at the time of giving of notice by the stockholder as provided for in this Section 11(a) and at the time of the annual meeting, who is entitled to vote at the meeting in the election of each individual so nominated or on any such other business and who has complied with this Section 11(a).
- (2) For nominations or other business to be properly brought before an annual meeting by a stockholder pursuant to clause (iii) of paragraph (a)(1) of this Section 11, the stockholder must have given timely notice thereof in writing to the secretary of the Corporation and such other business must otherwise be a proper matter for action by the stockholders. To be timely, a stockholder's notice shall set forth all information required under this Section 11 and shall be delivered to the secretary at the principal executive office of the Corporation not earlier than the 150th day nor later than 5:00 p.m., Eastern Time, on the 120th day prior to the first anniversary of the date of the preceding year's annual meeting; provided, however, that in the event that the date of the annual meeting is advanced or delayed by more than 30 days from the first anniversary of the date of the preceding year's annual meeting, notice by the stockholder to be timely must be so delivered not earlier than the 150th day prior to the date of such annual meeting and not later than 5:00 p.m., Eastern Time, on the later of the 120th day prior to the date of such annual meeting or the tenth day following the day on which public announcement of the date of such meeting is first made. The public announcement or adjournment of an annual meeting shall not commence a new time period for the giving of a stockholder's notice as described above.

(3) Such stockholder's notice shall set forth:

(i) as to each individual whom the stockholder proposes to nominate for election or reelection as a director (each, a "Proposed Nominee"),

(A) all information relating to the Proposed Nominee that would be required to be disclosed in connection with the solicitation of proxies for the election of the Proposed Nominee as a director in an election contest (even if an election contest is not involved), or would otherwise be required in connection with such solicitation, in each case pursuant to Regulation 14A (or any successor provision) under the Exchange Act and the rules thereunder (including the Proposed Nominee's written consent to being named in the proxy statement as a nominee and to serving as a director if elected), and

(B) an executed statement of the background and qualification of such Proposed Nominee (which questionnaire shall be provided by the Secretary upon written request) and a written representation and agreement (in form provided by the Secretary upon written request) that such Proposed Nominee is not, and will not become a party to, any agreement, arrangement or understanding with any person or entity other than the Corporation in connection with service or action as a director that has not been disclosed to the Corporation;

(ii) as to any business that the stockholder proposes to bring before the meeting, a description of such business, the stockholder's reasons for proposing such business at the meeting and any material interest in such business of such stockholder or any Stockholder Associated Person (as defined below), individually or in the aggregate, including any anticipated benefit to the stockholder or the Stockholder Associated Person therefrom;

(iii) as to the stockholder giving the notice, any Proposed Nominee and any Stockholder Associated Person,

(A) the class, series and number of all shares of stock or other securities of the Corporation or any affiliate thereof (collectively, the "Company Securities"), if any, which are owned (beneficially or of record) by such stockholder, Proposed Nominee or Stockholder Associated Person, the date on which each such Company Security was acquired and the investment intent of such acquisition, and any short interest (including any opportunity to profit or share in any benefit from any decrease in the price of such stock or other security) in any Company Securities of any such person,

(B) the nominee holder for, and number of, any Company Securities owned beneficially but not of record by such stockholder, Proposed Nominee or Stockholder Associated Person,

(C) whether and the extent to which such stockholder, Proposed Nominee or Stockholder Associated Person, directly or indirectly (through brokers, nominees or otherwise), is subject to or during the last six months has engaged in any hedging, derivative or other transaction or series of transactions or entered into any other agreement, arrangement or understanding (including any short interest, any borrowing or lending of securities or any proxy

or voting agreement), the effect or intent of which is to (I) manage risk or benefit of changes in the price of Company Securities for such stockholder, Proposed Nominee or Stockholder Associated Person or (II) increase or decrease the voting power of such stockholder, Proposed Nominee or Stockholder Associated Person in the Corporation or any affiliate thereof disproportionately to such person's economic interest in the Company Securities; and

(D) any substantial interest, direct or indirect (including, without limitation, any existing or prospective commercial, business or contractual relationship with the Corporation), by security holdings or otherwise, of such stockholder, Proposed Nominee or Stockholder Associated Person, in the Corporation or any affiliate thereof, other than an interest arising from the ownership of Company Securities where such stockholder, Proposed Nominee or Stockholder Associated Person receives no extra or special benefit not shared on a *pro rata* basis by all other holders of the same class or series;

- (iv) as to the stockholder giving the notice, any Stockholder Associated Person with an interest or ownership referred to in clauses (ii) or (iii) of this paragraph (3) of this Section 11(a) and any Proposed Nominee,
- (A) the name and address of such stockholder, as they appear on the Corporation's stock ledger, and the current name and business address, if different, of each such Stockholder Associated Person and any Proposed Nominee and
- (B) the investment strategy or objective, if any, of such stockholder and each such Stockholder Associated Person who is not an individual and a copy of the prospectus, offering memorandum or similar document, if any, provided to investors or potential investors in such stockholder, each such Stockholder Associated Person and any Proposed Nominee; and
- (v) to the extent known by the stockholder giving the notice, the name and address of any other stockholder supporting the nominee for election or reelection as a director or the proposal of other business on the date of such stockholder's notice.
- (4) Notwithstanding anything in this subsection (a) of this Section 11 to the contrary, in the event that the number of directors to be elected to the Board of Directors is increased, and there is no public announcement of such action at least 130 days prior to the first anniversary of the date of the proxy statement for the preceding year's annual meeting, a stockholder's notice required by this Section 11(a) shall also be considered timely, but only with respect to nominees for any new positions created by such increase, if it shall be delivered to the secretary at the principal executive office of the Corporation not later than 5:00 p.m., Eastern Time, on the tenth day following the day on which such public announcement is first made by the Corporation.
- (5) For purposes of this Section 11, "Stockholder Associated Person" of any stockholder means (i) any person acting in concert with, such stockholder, (ii) any beneficial owner of shares of stock of the Corporation owned of record or beneficially by such stockholder (other than a stockholder that is a depositary) and (iii) any person that directly, or indirectly through one or more intermediaries, controls, or is controlled by, or is under common control

with, such stockholder or such Stockholder Associated Person. For purposes of this Section 11, a person shall be deemed to be "acting in concert" with another person if such person knowingly acts (whether or not pursuant to an express agreement) in concert with, or towards a common goal relating to the Corporation in parallel with, such other person where (A) each person is conscious of the other person's conduct or intent and (B) at least one additional factor suggests that such persons intend to act in concert or in parallel, which such additional factors may include, without limitation, exchanging information (whether publicly or privately), attending meetings, conducting discussions or making or soliciting invitations to act in concert or in parallel; provided, that a person shall not be deemed to be acting in concert with any other person solely as a result of the solicitation of proxies after the filing of an effective Schedule 14A under Section 14(a) of the Exchange Act. A person acting in concert with another person shall be deemed to be acting in concert with any third party who is also acting in concert with such other person.

- (b) Special Meetings of Stockholders. Only such business shall be conducted at a special meeting of stockholders as shall have been brought before the meeting pursuant to the Corporation's notice of meeting. Nominations of individuals for election to the Board of Directors may be made at a special meeting of stockholders at which directors are to be elected only (i) by or at the direction of the Board of Directors, (ii) by a stockholder that has requested that a special meeting be called for the purpose of electing directors in connection with a proposal to remove directors, each in compliance with Section 3 of this Article II, and that has supplied the information required by Section 3 of this Article II about each individual whom the stockholder proposes to nominate for election of directors or (iii) provided that the special meeting has been called in accordance with Section 3 of this Article II for the purpose of electing directors, by any stockholder of the Corporation who is a stockholder of record both at the time of giving of notice provided for in this Section 11 and at the time of the special meeting, who is entitled to vote at the meeting in the election of each individual so nominated and who has complied with the notice procedures set forth in this Section 11. In the event the Corporation calls a special meeting of stockholders for the purpose of electing one or more individuals to the Board of Directors, any such stockholder may nominate an individual or individuals (as the case may be) for election as a director as specified in the Corporation's notice of meeting, if the stockholder's notice, containing the information regarding the stockholder, Proposed Nominee or Stockholder Associated Person required by paragraph (a)(3) of this Section 11, shall be delivered to the secretary at the principal executive office of the Corporation not earlier than the 120th day prior to such special meeting and not later than 5:00 p.m., Eastern Time on the later of the 90th day prior to such special meeting or the tenth day following the day on which public announcement is first made of the date of the special meeting and of the nominees proposed by the Board of Directors to be elected at such meeting. The public announcement of a postponement or adjournment of a special meeting shall not commence a new time period for the giving of a stockholder's notice as described above.
- (c) <u>General</u>. (1) If information submitted pursuant to this Section 11 by any stockholder proposing a nominee for election as a director or any proposal for other business at a meeting of stockholders shall be inaccurate in any material respect, such information may be deemed not to have been provided in accordance with this Section 11. Any such stockholder shall notify the Corporation of any inaccuracy or change (within two Business Days of becoming aware of such

inaccuracy or change) in any such information and, in any event, shall provide notice of any inaccuracy or change not later than five days after the record date for the applicable meeting and not later than eight days prior to the applicable meeting date. Upon written request by the Secretary or the Board of Directors, any such stockholder shall provide, within five Business Days of delivery of such request (or such other period as may be specified in such request), (A) written verification, satisfactory, in the discretion of the Board of Directors or any authorized officer of the Corporation, to demonstrate the accuracy of any information submitted by the stockholder pursuant to this Section 11, and (B) a written update of any information submitted by the stockholder pursuant to this Section 11 as of an earlier date. If a stockholder fails to provide such written verification or written update within such period, the information as to which written verification or a written update was requested may be deemed not to have been provided in accordance with this Section 11.

- (2) Only such individuals who are nominated in accordance with this Section 11 shall be eligible for election by stockholders as directors, and only such business shall be conducted at a meeting of stockholders as shall have been brought before the meeting in accordance with this Section 11. The chair of the meeting shall have the power to determine whether a nomination or any other business proposed to be brought before the meeting was made or proposed, as the case may be, in accordance with this Section 11.
- (3) "Public announcement" shall mean disclosure (i) in a press release reported by the Dow Jones News Service, Associated Press, Business Wire, PR Newswire or other widely circulated news or wire service or (ii) in a document publicly filed by the Corporation with the Securities and Exchange Commission pursuant to the Exchange Act.
- (4) Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions of this Section 11, a stockholder shall also comply with all applicable requirements of state law and of the Exchange Act and the rules and regulations thereunder with respect to the matters set forth in this Section 11. Nothing in this Section 11 shall be deemed to affect any right of a stockholder to request inclusion of a proposal in, or the right of the Corporation to omit a proposal from, the Corporation's proxy statement pursuant to Rule 14a-8 (or any successor provision) under the Exchange Act. Nothing in this Section 11 shall require disclosure of revocable proxies received by the stockholder or Stockholder Associated Person pursuant to a solicitation of proxies after the filing of an effective Schedule 14A under Section 14(a) of the Exchange Act.
- Section 12. <u>STOCKHOLDERS' CONSENT IN LIEU OF MEETING</u>. Any action required or permitted to be taken at any meeting of stockholders may be taken without a meeting if a unanimous consent setting forth the action is given in writing or by electronic transmission by each stockholder entitled to vote on the matter and filed with the minutes of proceedings of the stockholders.
- Section 13. <u>CONTROL SHARE ACQUISITION ACT</u>. Notwithstanding any other provision of the charter of the Corporation or these Bylaws, Title 3, Subtitle 7 of the Maryland General Corporation Law, or any successor statute (the "MGCL"), shall not apply to any acquisition by any person of shares of stock of the Corporation. This section may be repealed, in whole or in part, at any time, whether before or after an acquisition of control shares

and, upon such repeal, may, to the extent provided by any successor bylaw, apply to any prior or subsequent control share acquisition.

#### **ARTICLE III**

#### DIRECTORS

- Section 1. <u>GENERAL POWERS</u>. The business and affairs of the Corporation shall be managed under the direction of its Board of Directors.
- Section 2. <u>NUMBER, TENURE AND QUALIFICATIONS</u>. At any regular meeting or at any special meeting called for that purpose, a majority of the entire Board of Directors may establish, increase or decrease the number of directors, provided that the number thereof shall never be less than three, nor more than 13, and further provided that the tenure of office of a director shall not be affected by any decrease in the number of directors. A director shall be an individual at least 21 years of age who is not under a legal disability. Any director of the Corporation may resign at any time by delivering his or her resignation to the Board of Directors, the chair of the board or the secretary. Any resignation shall take effect immediately upon its receipt or at such later time specified in the resignation. The acceptance of a resignation shall not be necessary to make it effective unless otherwise stated in the resignation.
- Section 3. <u>ANNUAL AND REGULAR MEETINGS</u>. An annual meeting of the Board of Directors shall be held immediately after and at the same place as the annual meeting of stockholders, no notice other than this Bylaw being necessary. In the event such meeting is not so held, the meeting may be held at such time and place as shall be specified in a notice given as hereinafter provided for special meetings of the Board of Directors. The Board of Directors may provide, by resolution, the time and place for the holding of regular meetings of the Board of Directors without other notice than such resolution.
- Section 4. SPECIAL MEETINGS. Special meetings of the Board of Directors may be called by or at the request of the chair of the board, the chief executive officer, the president or by a majority of the directors then in office. The person or persons authorized to call special meetings of the Board of Directors may fix any place as the place for holding any special meeting of the Board of Directors called by them. The Board of Directors may provide, by resolution, the time and place for the holding of special meetings of the Board of Directors without other notice than such resolution.
- Section 5. <u>NOTICE</u>. Notice of any special meeting of the Board of Directors shall be delivered personally or by telephone, electronic mail, facsimile transmission, United States mail or courier to each director at his or her business or residence address. Notice by personal delivery, telephone, electronic mail or facsimile transmission shall be given at least 24 hours prior to the meeting. Notice by United States mail shall be given at least three days prior to the meeting. Notice by courier shall be given at least two days prior to the meeting. Telephone notice shall be deemed to be given when the director or his or her agent is personally given such notice in a telephone call to which the director or his or her agent is a party. Electronic mail notice shall be deemed to be given upon transmission of the message to the

electronic mail address given to the Corporation by the director. Facsimile transmission notice shall be deemed to be given upon completion of the transmission of the message to the number given to the Corporation by the director and receipt of a completed answer-back indicating receipt. Notice by United States mail shall be deemed to be given when deposited in the United States mail properly addressed, with postage thereon prepaid. Notice by courier shall be deemed to be given when deposited with or delivered to a courier properly addressed. Neither the business to be transacted at, nor the purpose of, any annual, regular or special meeting of the Board of Directors need be stated in the notice, unless specifically required by statute or these Bylaws.

Section 6. <u>QUORUM.</u> A majority of the directors shall constitute a quorum for transaction of business at any meeting of the Board of Directors, provided that, if less than a majority of such directors is present at such meeting, a majority of the directors present may adjourn the meeting from time to time without further notice, and provided further that if, pursuant to applicable law, the charter of the Corporation or these Bylaws, the vote of a majority or other percentage of a particular group of directors is required for action, a quorum must also include a majority of such group.

The directors present at a meeting which has been duly called and at which a quorum was established may continue to transact business until adjournment, notwithstanding the withdrawal of enough directors to leave less than a quorum.

- Section 7. <u>VOTING</u>. The action of a majority of the directors present at a meeting at which a quorum is present shall be the action of the Board of Directors, unless the concurrence of a greater proportion is required for such action by applicable law, the charter or these Bylaws. If enough directors have withdrawn from a meeting to leave less than a quorum but the meeting is not adjourned, the action of the majority of that number of directors necessary to constitute a quorum at such meeting shall be the action of the Board of Directors, unless the concurrence of a greater proportion is required for such action by applicable law, the charter or these Bylaws.
- Section 8. <u>ORGANIZATION</u>. At each meeting of the Board of Directors, the chair of the board or, in the absence of the chair, the vice chair of the board, if any, shall act as chair of the meeting. In the absence of both the chair and vice chair of the board, the chief executive officer or in the absence of the chief executive officer, the president or in the absence of the president, a director chosen by a majority of the directors present, shall act as chair of the meeting. The secretary or, in his or her absence, an assistant secretary of the Corporation, or in the absence of the secretary and all assistant secretaries, a person appointed by the chair of the meeting, shall act as secretary of the meeting.
- Section 9. <u>TELEPHONE MEETINGS</u>. Directors may participate in a meeting by means of a conference telephone or other communications equipment if all persons participating in the meeting can hear each other at the same time. Participation in a meeting by these means shall constitute presence in person at the meeting.

- Section 10. <u>CONSENT BY DIRECTORS WITHOUT A MEETING</u>. Any action required or permitted to be taken at any meeting of the Board of Directors may be taken without a meeting, if a consent in writing or by electronic transmission to such action is given by each director and is filed with the minutes of proceedings of the Board of Directors.
- Section 11. <u>VACANCIES</u>. If for any reason any or all the directors cease to be directors, such event shall not terminate the Corporation or affect these Bylaws or the powers of the remaining directors hereunder. Any vacancy on the Board of Directors for any cause other than an increase in the number of directors may be filled by a majority of the remaining directors, even if such majority is less than a quorum. Any vacancy in the number of directors created by an increase in the number of directors may be filled by a majority vote of the entire Board of Directors and, in the case of a vacancy resulting from the removal of a director, by the stockholders by the affirmative vote of two-thirds of the votes entitled to be cast in the election of directors. However, any vacancy on the Board of Directors among the directors elected by a class or series of stock other than common stock may be filled by a majority of the remaining directors elected by that class or series, or by a majority of the stockholders of that class or series unless otherwise provided in the articles supplementary for that class or series. Any individual so elected as director shall serve until the next annual meeting of stockholders and until his or her successor is elected and qualifies.
- Section 12. <u>COMPENSATION</u>. Directors shall not receive any stated salary for their services as directors but, by resolution of the Board of Directors, may receive compensation per year and/or per meeting and/or per visit to real property or other facilities owned or leased by the Corporation and for any service or activity they performed or engaged in as directors. Directors may be reimbursed for expenses of attendance, if any, at each annual, regular or special meeting of the Board of Directors or of any committee thereof and for their expenses, if any, in connection with each property visit and any other service or activity they performed or engaged in as directors; but nothing herein contained shall be construed to preclude any directors from serving the Corporation in any other capacity and receiving compensation therefor.
- Section 13. <u>RELIANCE</u>. Each director and officer of the Corporation shall, in the performance of his or her duties with respect to the Corporation, be entitled to rely on any information, opinion, report or statement, including any financial statement or other financial data, prepared or presented by an officer or employee of the Corporation whom the director or officer reasonably believes to be reliable and competent in the matters presented, by a lawyer, certified public accountant or other person, as to a matter which the director or officer reasonably believes to be within the person's professional or expert competence, or, with respect to a director, by a committee of the Board of Directors on which the director does not serve, as to a matter within its designated authority, if the director reasonably believes the committee to merit confidence.
- Section 14. <u>RATIFICATION</u>. The Board of Directors or the stockholders may ratify and make binding on the Corporation any action or inaction by the Corporation or its officers to the extent that the Board of Directors or the stockholders could have originally

authorized the matter. Moreover, any action or inaction questioned in any stockholders' derivative proceeding or any other proceeding on the ground of lack of authority, defective or irregular execution, adverse interest of a director, officer or stockholder, non-disclosure, miscomputation, the application of improper principles or practices of accounting, or otherwise, may be ratified, before or after judgment, by the Board of Directors or by the stockholders, and if so ratified, shall have the same force and effect as if the questioned action or inaction had been originally duly authorized, and such ratification shall be binding upon the Corporation and its stockholders and shall constitute a bar to any claim or execution of any judgment in respect of such questioned action or inaction.

Section 15. <u>CERTAIN RIGHTS OF DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS</u>. A director who is not also an officer of the Corporation shall have no responsibility to devote his or her full time to the affairs of the Corporation. Any director or officer, in his or her personal capacity or in a capacity as an affiliate, employee, or agent of any other person, or otherwise, may have business interests and engage in business activities similar to, in addition to or in competition with those of or relating to the Corporation.

#### ARTICLE IV

#### **COMMITTEES**

- Section 1. <u>NUMBER, TENURE AND QUALIFICATIONS</u>. The Board of Directors may appoint from among its members an Executive Committee, an Audit Committee, a Compensation Committee, a Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee and other committees, composed of one or more directors, to serve at the pleasure of the Board of Directors.
- Section 2. <u>POWERS</u>. The Board of Directors may delegate to committees appointed under Section 1 of this Article any of the powers of the Board of Directors, except as prohibited by law.
- Section 3. <u>MEETINGS</u>. Notice of committee meetings shall be given in the same manner as notice for special meetings of the Board of Directors. A majority of the members of the committee shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at any meeting of the committee. The act of a majority of the committee members present at a meeting shall be the act of such committee. The Board of Directors may designate a chair of any committee, and such chair or, in the absence of a chair, any two members of any committee (if there are at least two members of the Committee) may fix the time and place of its meeting unless the Board shall otherwise provide. In the absence of any member of any such committee, the members thereof present at any meeting, whether or not they constitute a quorum, may appoint another director to act in the place of such absent member. Each committee shall keep minutes of its proceedings.
- Section 4. <u>TELEPHONE MEETINGS</u>. Members of a committee of the Board of Directors may participate in a meeting by means of a conference telephone or other communications equipment if all persons participating in the meeting can hear each other at the

same time. Participation in a meeting by these means shall constitute presence in person at the meeting.

- Section 5. <u>CONSENT BY COMMITTEES WITHOUT A MEETING</u>. Any action required or permitted to be taken at any meeting of a committee of the Board of Directors may be taken without a meeting, if a consent in writing or by electronic transmission to such action is given by each member of the committee and is filed with the minutes of proceedings of such committee.
- Section 6. <u>VACANCIES</u>. Subject to the provisions hereof, the Board of Directors shall have the power at any time to change the membership of any committee, to fill any vacancy, to designate an alternate member to replace any absent or disqualified member or to dissolve any such committee.
- Section 7. <u>EMERGENCY</u>. In the event of a state of disaster of sufficient severity or other emergency condition, the result of which a quorum of the Board of Directors under Article III of these Bylaws cannot readily be obtained (an "Emergency"), any two or more available members of the then incumbent Board shall constitute a committee of the Board with the full power of the Board to conduct and manage the affairs and business of the Corporation in accordance with the provisions of this Article IV. Any provisions of the Bylaws (other than this Section 7) and any resolutions which are contrary to the provisions of this Section 7 or to the provisions of any such implementing resolutions shall be suspended until it shall be determined by such Committee acting under this Section 7 that it shall be to the advantage of the Corporation to resume the conduct and management of its affairs and business under all the other provisions of these Bylaws.

# ARTICLE V

# **OFFICERS**

- Section 1. <u>GENERAL PROVISIONS</u>. The officers of the Corporation shall include a president, a secretary and a treasurer and may include a chair of the board, a vice chair of the board, a chief executive officer, one or more vice presidents, a chief operating officer, a chief financial officer, one or more assistant secretaries and one or more assistant treasurers. In addition, the Board of Directors may from time to time elect such other officers with such powers and duties as they shall deem necessary or desirable. The officers of the Corporation shall be elected annually by the Board of Directors, except that the chief executive officer or president may from time to time appoint one or more vice presidents, assistant secretaries and assistant treasurers or other officers. Each officer shall serve until his or her successor is elected and qualifies or until his or her death, or his or her resignation or removal in the manner hereinafter provided. Any two or more offices except president and vice president may be held by the same person. Election of an officer or agent shall not of itself create contract rights between the Corporation and such officer or agent.
- Section 2. <u>REMOVAL AND RESIGNATION</u>. Any officer or agent of the Corporation may be removed, with or without cause, by the Board of Directors if in its judgment

the best interests of the Corporation would be served thereby, but such removal shall be without prejudice to the contract rights, if any, of the person so removed. Any officer of the Corporation may resign at any time by delivering his or her resignation to the Board of Directors, the chair of the board, the president or the secretary. Any resignation shall take effect immediately upon its receipt or at such later time specified in the resignation. The acceptance of a resignation shall not be necessary to make it effective unless otherwise stated in the resignation. Such resignation shall be without prejudice to the contract rights, if any, of the Corporation.

- Section 3. VACANCIES. A vacancy in any office may be filled by the Board of Directors for the balance of the term.
- Section 4. <u>CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER</u>. The Board of Directors may designate a chief executive officer. In the absence of such designation, the chair of the board shall be the chief executive officer of the Corporation. The chief executive officer shall have general responsibility for implementation of the policies of the Corporation, as determined by the Board of Directors, and for the management of the business and affairs of the Corporation. He or she may execute any deed, mortgage, bond, contract or other instrument, except in cases where the execution thereof shall be expressly delegated by the Board of Directors or by these Bylaws to some other officer or agent of the Corporation or shall be required by law to be otherwise executed; and in general shall perform all duties incident to the office of chief executive officer and such other duties as may be prescribed by the Board of Directors from time to time.
- Section 5. <u>CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER</u>. The Board of Directors may designate a chief operating officer. The chief operating officer shall have the responsibilities and duties as determined by the Board of Directors or the chief executive officer.
- Section 6. <u>CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER</u>. The Board of Directors may designate a chief financial officer. The chief financial officer shall have the responsibilities and duties as determined by the Board of Directors or the chief executive officer.
- Section 7. <u>CHAIR OF THE BOARD</u>. The Board of Directors shall designate a chair of the board. The chair of the board shall preside over the meetings of the Board of Directors and of the stockholders at which he shall be present. The chair of the board shall perform such other duties as may be assigned to him or her by the Board of Directors.
- Section 8. <u>PRESIDENT</u>. In the absence of a chief executive officer, the president shall in general supervise and control all of the business and affairs of the Corporation. In the absence of a designation of a chief operating officer by the Board of Directors, the president shall be the chief operating officer. He or she may execute any deed, mortgage, bond, contract or other instrument, except in cases where the execution thereof shall be expressly delegated by the Board of Directors or by these Bylaws to some other officer or agent of the Corporation or shall be required by law to be otherwise executed; and in general shall perform all duties incident to the office of president and such other duties as may be prescribed by the Board of Directors from time to time.

- Section 9. <u>VICE PRESIDENTS</u>. In the absence of the president or in the event of a vacancy in such office, the vice president (or in the event there be more than one vice president, the vice presidents in the order designated at the time of their election or, in the absence of any designation, then in the order of their election) shall perform the duties of the president and when so acting shall have all the powers of and be subject to all the restrictions upon the president; and shall perform such other duties as from time to time may be assigned to such vice president by the president or by the Board of Directors. The Board of Directors may designate one or more vice presidents as executive vice president, senior vice president, or as vice president for particular areas of responsibility.
- Section 10. <u>SECRETARY</u>. The secretary shall (a) keep the minutes of the proceedings of the stockholders, the Board of Directors and committees of the Board of Directors in one or more books provided for that purpose; (b) see that all notices are duly given in accordance with the provisions of these Bylaws or as required by law; (c) be custodian of the corporate records and of the seal of the Corporation; (d) keep or cause to be kept by the transfer agent of the Corporation or other person a register of the post office address of each stockholder which shall be furnished to the secretary by such stockholder; (e) have general charge of the stock transfer books of the Corporation; and (f) in general perform such other duties as from time to time may be assigned to him by the chief executive officer, the president or by the Board of Directors.
- Section 11. TREASURER. The treasurer shall have the custody of the funds and securities of the Corporation and shall keep full and accurate accounts of receipts and disbursements in books belonging to the Corporation and shall deposit all moneys and other valuable effects in the name and to the credit of the Corporation in such depositories as may be designated by the Board of Directors. In the absence of a designation of a chief financial officer by the Board of Directors, the treasurer shall be the chief financial officer of the Corporation.

The treasurer shall disburse the funds of the Corporation as may be ordered by the Board of Directors, taking proper vouchers for such disbursements, and shall render to the president and Board of Directors, at the regular meetings of the Board of Directors or whenever it may so require, an account of all his or her transactions as treasurer and of the financial condition of the Corporation.

- Section 12. <u>ASSISTANT SECRETARIES AND ASSISTANT TREASURERS</u>. The assistant secretaries and assistant treasurers, in general, shall perform such duties as shall be assigned to them by the secretary or treasurer, respectively, or by the president or the Board of Directors.
- Section 13. <u>COMPENSATION</u>. The compensation of the officers shall be fixed from time to time by or under the authority of the Board of Directors and no officer shall be prevented from receiving such compensation by reason of the fact that he is also a director.

#### ARTICLE VI

#### CONTRACTS, LOANS, CHECKS AND DEPOSITS

- Section 1. <u>CONTRACTS</u>. The Board of Directors may authorize any officer or agent to enter into any contract or to execute and deliver any instrument in the name of and on behalf of the Corporation and such authority may be general or confined to specific instances. Any agreement, deed, mortgage, lease or other document shall be valid and binding upon the Corporation when duly authorized or ratified by action of the Board of Directors and executed by an authorized person.
- Section 2. <u>CHECKS AND DRAFTS</u>. All checks, drafts or other orders for the payment of money, notes or other evidences of indebtedness issued in the name of the Corporation shall be signed by such officer or agent of the Corporation in such manner as shall from time to time be determined by the Board of Directors.
- Section 3. <u>DEPOSITS</u>. All funds of the Corporation not otherwise employed shall be deposited or invested from time to time to the credit of the Corporation as the Board of Directors, the chief executive officer, the chief financial officer, or any other officer designated by the Board of Directors may determine.

#### ARTICLE VII

# STOCK

- Section 1. <u>CERTIFICATES</u>. Except as may be otherwise provided by the Board of Directors, stockholders of the Corporation are not entitled to certificates representing the shares of stock held by them. In the event that the Corporation issues shares of stock represented by certificates, such certificates shall be in such form as prescribed by the Board of Directors or a duly authorized officer, shall contain the statements and information required by the MGCL and shall be signed by the officers of the Corporation in the manner permitted by the MGCL. In the event that the Corporation issues shares of stock without certificates, to the extent then required by the MGCL, the Corporation shall provide to the record holders of such shares a written statement of the information required by the MGCL to be included on stock certificates. There shall be no differences in the rights and obligations of stockholders based on whether or not their shares are represented by certificates.
- Section 2. TRANSFERS. All transfers of shares of stock shall be made on the books of the Corporation, by the holder of the shares, in person or by his or her attorney, in such manner as the Board of Directors or any officer of the Corporation may prescribe and, if such shares are certificated, upon surrender of certificates duly endorsed. The issuance of a new certificate upon the transfer of certificated shares is subject to the determination of the Board of Directors that such shares shall no longer be represented by certificates. Upon the transfer of uncertificated shares, to the extent then required by the MGCL, the Corporation shall provide to record holders of such shares a written statement of the information required by the MGCL to be included on stock certificates.

The Corporation shall be entitled to treat the holder of record of any share of stock as the holder in fact thereof and, accordingly, shall not be bound to recognize any equitable or other claim to or interest in such share or on the part of any other person, whether or not it shall have express or other notice thereof, except as otherwise provided by the laws of the State of Maryland.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, transfers of shares of any class or series of stock will be subject in all respects to the charter of the Corporation and all of the terms and conditions contained therein.

- Section 3. <u>REPLACEMENT CERTIFICATE</u>. Any officer of the Corporation may direct a new certificate or certificates to be issued in place of any certificate or certificates theretofore issued by the Corporation alleged to have been lost, destroyed, stolen or mutilated, upon the making of an affidavit of that fact by the person claiming the certificate to be lost, destroyed, stolen or mutilated; provided, however, if such shares have ceased to be certificated, no new certificate shall be issued unless requested in writing by such stockholder and the Board of Directors has determined that such certificates may be issued. Unless otherwise determined by an officer of the Corporation, the owner of such lost, destroyed, stolen or mutilated certificate or certificates, or his or her legal representative, shall be required, as a condition precedent to the issuance of a new certificate or certificates, to give the Corporation a bond in such sums as it may direct as indemnity against any claim that may be made against the Corporation.
- Section 4. <u>FIXING OF RECORD DATE</u>. The Board of Directors may set, in advance, a record date for the purpose of determining stockholders entitled to notice of or to vote at any meeting of stockholders or determining stockholders entitled to receive payment of any dividend or the allotment of any other rights, or in order to make a determination of stockholders for any other proper purpose. Such date, in any case, shall not be prior to the close of business on the day the record date is fixed and shall be not more than 90 days and, in the case of a meeting of stockholders, not less than ten days, before the date on which the meeting or particular action requiring such determination of stockholders of record is to be held or taken.

When a record date for the determination of stockholders entitled to notice of and to vote at any meeting of stockholders has been set as provided in this section, such record date shall continue to apply to the meeting if adjourned or postponed, except if the meeting is adjourned to a date more than 120 days or postponed to a date more than 90 days after the record date originally fixed for the meeting, in which case a new record date for such meeting may be determined as set forth herein.

- Section 5. <u>STOCK LEDGER</u>. The Corporation shall maintain at its principal office or at the office of its counsel, accountants or transfer agent, an original or duplicate stock ledger containing the name and address of each stockholder and the number of shares of each class held by such stockholder.
- Section 6. <u>FRACTIONAL STOCK; ISSUANCE OF UNITS</u>. The Board of Directors may issue fractional stock or provide for the issuance of scrip, all on such terms and

under such conditions as they may determine. Notwithstanding any other provision of the charter or these Bylaws, the Board of Directors may issue units consisting of different securities of the Corporation. Any security issued in a unit shall have the same characteristics as any identical securities issued by the Corporation, except that the Board of Directors may provide that for a specified period securities of the Corporation issued in such unit may be transferred on the books of the Corporation only in such unit.

#### ARTICLE VIII

#### ACCOUNTING YEAR

The Board of Directors shall have the power, from time to time, to fix the fiscal year of the Corporation by a duly adopted resolution.

#### ARTICLE IX

#### **DISTRIBUTIONS**

Section 1. <u>AUTHORIZATION</u>. Dividends and other distributions upon the stock of the Corporation may be authorized by the Board of Directors, subject to the provisions of law and the charter of the Corporation. Dividends and other distributions may be paid in cash, property or stock of the Corporation, subject to the provisions of law and the charter.

Section 2. <u>CONTINGENCIES</u>. Before payment of any dividends or other distributions, there may be set aside out of any assets of the Corporation available for dividends or other distributions such sum or sums as the Board of Directors may from time to time, in its absolute discretion, think proper as a reserve fund for contingencies, for equalizing dividends, for repairing or maintaining any property of the Corporation or for such other purpose as the Board of Directors shall determine, and the Board of Directors may modify or abolish any such reserve.

#### ARTICLE X

# INVESTMENT POLICY

Subject to the provisions of the charter of the Corporation, the Board of Directors may from time to time adopt, amend, revise or terminate any policy or policies with respect to investments by the Corporation as it shall deem appropriate in its sole discretion.

#### ARTICLE XI

#### **SEAL**

Section 1. <u>SEAL</u>. The Board of Directors may authorize the adoption of a seal by the Corporation. The seal shall contain the name of the Corporation and the year of its incorporation and the words "Incorporated Maryland." The Board of Directors may authorize one or more duplicate seals and provide for the custody thereof.

Section 2. <u>AFFIXING SEAL</u>. Whenever the Corporation is permitted or required to affix its seal to a document, it shall be sufficient to meet the requirements of any law, rule or regulation relating to a seal to place the word "(SEAL)" adjacent to the signature of the person authorized to execute the document on behalf of the Corporation.

#### ARTICLE XII

#### INDEMNIFICATION AND ADVANCE OF EXPENSES

To the maximum extent permitted by Maryland law in effect from time to time, the Corporation shall indemnify and, without requiring a preliminary determination of the ultimate entitlement to indemnification, shall pay or reimburse reasonable expenses in advance of final disposition of a proceeding to (a) any individual who is a present or former director or officer of the Corporation and who is made or threatened to be made a party to the proceeding by reason of his or her service in that capacity or (b) any individual who, while a director or officer of the Corporation and at the request of the Corporation, serves or has served as a director, officer, partner or trustee of another corporation, real estate investment trust, partnership, joint venture, trust, employee benefit plan or other enterprise and who is made or threatened to be made a party to the proceeding by reason of his or her service in that capacity. The rights to indemnification and advance of expenses provided by the charter of the Corporation and these Bylaws shall vest immediately upon election of a director or officer. The Corporation may, with the approval of its Board of Directors, provide such indemnification and advance for expenses to an individual who served a predecessor of the Corporation in any of the capacities described in (a) or (b) above and to any employee or agent of the Corporation or a predecessor of the Corporation. The indemnification and payment or reimbursement of expenses provided in these Bylaws shall not be deemed exclusive of or limit in any way other rights to which any person seeking indemnification or payment or reimbursement of expenses may be or may become entitled under any bylaw, regulation, insurance, agreement or otherwise.

Neither the amendment nor repeal of this Article, nor the adoption or amendment of any other provision of the Bylaws or charter of the Corporation inconsistent with this Article, shall apply to or affect in any respect the applicability of the preceding paragraph with respect to any act or failure to act which occurred prior to such amendment, repeal or adoption regardless of whether a claim with respect to such action or inaction is raised prior or subsequent to such amendment.

#### **ARTICLE XIII**

# WAIVER OF NOTICE

Whenever any notice of a meeting is required to be given pursuant to the charter of the Corporation or these Bylaws or pursuant to applicable law, a waiver thereof in writing, signed by the person or persons entitled to such notice, whether before or after the time stated therein, shall be deemed equivalent to the giving of such notice. Neither the business to be transacted at nor the purpose of any meeting need be set forth in the waiver of notice, unless

specifically required by statute. The attendance of any person at any meeting shall constitute a waiver of notice of such meeting, except where such person attends a meeting for the express purpose of objecting to the transaction of any business on the ground that the meeting is not lawfully called or convened.

# ARTICLE XIV

# AMENDMENT OF BYLAWS

These Bylaws may be altered, amended or repealed, or new Bylaws may be adopted, as provided in Article X, Section 10(a)(6) of the charter of the Corporation.

#### [Letterhead of Venable LLP]

July 18, 2016

Host Hotels & Resorts, Inc. 6903 Rockledge Drive, Suite 1500 Bethesda, Maryland 20817

Re: Registration Statement on Form S-8

# Ladies and Gentlemen:

We have served as Maryland counsel to Host Hotels & Resorts, Inc., a Maryland corporation (the "Company"), in connection with certain matters of Maryland law arising out of the registration of up to 200,000 shares (the "Shares") of common stock, par value \$.01 per share (the "Common Stock"), of the Company under the Host Hotels & Resorts, Inc. and Host Hotels & Resorts, L.P. Employee Stock Purchase Plan (the "Plan"). The Shares are covered by the above-referenced Registration Statement, and all amendments thereto (collectively, the "Registration Statement"), as filed by the Company with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Commission") under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "1933 Act").

In connection with our representation of the Company, and as a basis for the opinion hereinafter set forth, we have examined originals, or copies certified or otherwise identified to our satisfaction, of the following documents (hereinafter collectively referred to as the "Documents"):

- 1. The Registration Statement and the related form of prospectus included therein, substantially in the form in which they will be transmitted to the Commission under the 1933 Act;
  - 2. The charter of the Company (the "Charter"), certified by the State Department of Assessments and Taxation of Maryland (the "SDAT");
  - 3. The Bylaws of the Company, certified as of the date hereof by an officer of the Company;
  - 4. The Plan;
- 5. Resolutions adopted by the Board of Directors of the Company, relating to, among other matters, the approval of the Plan, certified as of the date hereof by an officer of the Company;

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- 6. A certificate of the SDAT as to the good standing of the Company, dated as of a recent date;
- 7. A certificate executed by an officer of the Company, dated as of the date hereof; and
- 8. Such other documents and matters as we have deemed necessary or appropriate to express the opinion set forth below, subject to the assumptions, limitations and qualifications stated herein.

In expressing the opinion set forth below, we have assumed the following:

- 1. Each individual executing any of the Documents, whether on behalf of such individual or another person, is legally competent to do so.
- 2. Each individual executing any of the Documents on behalf of a party (other than the Company) is duly authorized to do so.
- 3. Each of the parties (other than the Company) executing any of the Documents has duly and validly executed and delivered each of the Documents to which such party is a signatory, and such party's obligations set forth therein are legal, valid and binding and are enforceable in accordance with all stated terms.
- 4. All Documents submitted to us as originals are authentic. The form and content of all Documents submitted to us as unexecuted drafts do not differ in any respect relevant to this opinion from the form and content of such Documents as executed and delivered. All Documents submitted to us as certified or photostatic copies conform to the original documents. All signatures on all Documents are genuine. All public records reviewed or relied upon by us or on our behalf are true and complete. All representations, warranties, statements and information contained in the Documents are true and complete. There has been no oral or written modification of or amendment to any of the Documents, and there has been no waiver of any provision of any of the Documents, by action or omission of the parties or otherwise.
- 5. Upon the issuance of any of the Shares, the total number of shares of Common Stock issued and outstanding will not exceed the total number of shares of Common Stock that the Company is then authorized to issue under the Charter.

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6. The Shares will not be issued or transferred in violation of the restrictions on transfer and ownership of shares of stock of the Company set forth in Article VIII of the Charter.

Based upon the foregoing, and subject to the assumptions, limitations and qualifications stated herein, it is our opinion that:

- 1. The Company is a corporation duly incorporated and existing under and by virtue of the laws of the State of Maryland and is in good standing with the SDAT.
- 2. The issuance of the Shares has been duly authorized and, when and to the extent issued and delivered against payment therefor in accordance with the Charter, the Plan and the Registration Statement, the Shares will be validly issued, fully paid and nonassessable.

The foregoing opinion is limited to the laws of the State of Maryland and we do not express any opinion herein concerning any other law. We express no opinion as to the applicability or effect of any federal or state securities laws, including the securities laws of the State of Maryland, or as to federal or state laws regarding fraudulent transfers. To the extent that any matter as to which our opinion is expressed herein would be governed by the laws of any jurisdiction other than the State of Maryland, we do not express any opinion on such matter. The opinion expressed herein is subject to the effect of judicial decisions which may permit the introduction of parol evidence to modify the terms or the interpretation of agreements.

The opinion expressed herein is limited to the matters specifically set forth herein and no other opinion shall be inferred beyond the matters expressly stated. We assume no obligation to supplement this opinion if any applicable law changes after the date hereof or if we become aware of any fact that might change the opinion expressed herein after the date hereof.

This opinion is being furnished to you for submission to the Commission as an exhibit to the Registration Statement. We hereby consent to the filing of this opinion as an exhibit to the Registration Statement and to the use of the name of our firm therein. In giving this consent, we do not admit that we are within the category of persons whose consent is required by Section 7 of the 1933 Act.

Very truly yours,

/s/ Venable LLP

#### **Consent of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm**

The Board of Directors Host Hotels & Resorts, Inc. and Host Hotels & Resorts, L.P:

We consent to the use of (i) our report dated February 22, 2016, with respect to the consolidated balance sheets of Host Hotels & Resorts, Inc. and subsidiaries as of December 31, 2015 and 2014, and the related consolidated statements of operations, comprehensive income (loss), equity, and cash flows for each of the years in the three-year period ended December 31, 2015, and the related financial statement schedule as of December 31, 2015, (ii) our report dated February 22, 2016, on the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting of Host Hotels & Resorts, Inc. and subsidiaries as of December 31, 2015, and (iii) our report dated February 22, 2016, with respect to the consolidated balance sheets of Host Hotels & Resorts, L.P. and subsidiaries as of December 31, 2015 and 2014, and the related consolidated statements of operations, comprehensive income (loss), capital, and cash flows for each of the years in the three-year period ended December 31, 2015, and the related financial statement schedule as of December 31, 2015, incorporated herein by reference.

Our audit reports dated February 22, 2016, contain an explanatory paragraph that states the Company has changed its method of reporting discontinued operations as of January 1, 2014.

/s/ KPMG LLP

McLean, Virginia July 18, 2016