DECLARATION OF COVENANTS AND RESTRICTIONS FOR THE MARION J. STOLWORTHY WILD LIFE SANCTUARY

This declaration of covenants and restrictions, made this 7 4 day of December, 1986 by Edward Howard Stolworthy (hereinafter called the "Declarant").

Scope: The land to which these covenants and restrictions apply consists of two parcels of land as shown on the Durham, New Hampshire Tax Map, Map # 3 as revised March, 1978, being shown on said map as Lot 2-6 and Lot 2-14 respectively. Said parcel 2-6 being the same property as conveyed by Edith H. McNutt to Marion J. Stolworthy by deed dated July 31, 1937 and recorded in the Strafford County Registry of Deeds at Book 479, Page 146. Lot 2-14 being the same property conveyed by William Wayne Shirley to Edward Howard Stolworthy by deed dated February 8, 1966 and recorded in the Strafford County Registry of Deeds at Book 807, Page 412 (hereinafter known as the "Land"). Each of these covenants and restrictions will run with the land for the benefit of the public and will be binding on all successive owners and occupants.

It is the intention of the Declarant that the greatest use and benefit to be derived from the Land is through the maintenance and preservation of the Land as a permanent wild life sanctuary area in its present natural wooded state of scenic attractiveness and to prevent any unsightly development that will mar and detract from such natural beauty of this property as a wild life sanctuary, or degrade the character of the property. It is further the intention of the Declarant to place such reasonable covenants and restrictions over said lands as may be necessary to accomplish such objectives. Further, that the Land shall remain in its natural and wooded and scenic state in perpetuity and be designated by an appropriate placed and designed sign as the "Marion J. Stolworthy Wild Life Sanctuary."

Covenants and Restrictions.

- 1. Identification of the Land: The Land shall be designated the "Marion J. Stolworthy Wild Life Sanctuary" by the Town of Durham, New Hampshire which shall appropriate design, place and maintain a sign designating said Land as the "Marion J. Stolworthy Wild Life Sanctuary."
- 2. Use: No other use of the Land shall be permitted except as a wild life sanctuary and those activities reasonably associated with the proper use and maintenance of a scenic wild life sanctuary. Determination of whether an activity is consistent with the restrictions will be made by the Durham Conservation Commission. The Land is to be specifically made available by the Town of Durham for the public's use and enjoyment of this area as a wild life sanctuary. However, public access shall be controlled so as not to detract from the area's natural beauty or to degrade the character of the wild life area. The lands are not to be used for any public gathering other than reasonable use as "nature reserve". Further, use of the Land shall be subject to the following:

- A. Any and all commercial use are prohibited;
- B. No hunting or fishing will be permitted;
- C. No trees or shrubs shall be removed or destroyed on the Land except as may be incidental to the preservation of this area as a wild life sanctuary;
- D. No garbage, waste, dumping of ash, trash, sawdust, or any other unsightly or offensive material shall be dumped placed on the Land;
- E. No buildings, signs, billboards, or outdoor advertising structures of any kind shall be erected, displayed, placed or maintained upon or within the sanctuary area except to designate the Land as the "Marion J. Stolworthy Wild Life Sanctuary" and such other informational displays as to aid users of the property in the enjoyment of a "natural wild life reserve".
- 3. Control of the Land: The Town of Durham shall protect, monitor and steward the Land and shall prohibit open fires, firearms, or any unreasonable disruptive activity on the Land. Further, the Town of Durham shall exercise reasonable controls over the Land as may be necessary to accomplish the objectives herein.
- 4. Management and Maintenance: The Town of Durham will be charged with the management and maintenance of the vegetation and land consistent with the purposes of maintaining a wild life sanctuary. However, this management and maintenance shall be carried out with the advice or the Durham Conservation Commission.
- 5. <u>Duration</u>. These convenants and restrictions shall be binding in perpetuity.
- 6. Enforcement: The Durham Board of Selectmen on behalf of the E.N. Public shall be entitled to the express right to commence any legal or equitable action as may be necessary in order to insure the Land remains the "Marion J. Stolworthy Wild Life Sanctuary" and to prevent or abate a violation of the convenants and restrictions contained herein.
- 7. Severability: The invalidation of any one or more of these covenants by judgment of a court order shall not effect any of the other provisions hereof.

Executed this 24th day of December, 1986.

Witness Bryant

Edward Howard Stolworthy

On this 24 day of December, 1986, before me, personally appeared Edward H. Stolworthy, known to me or satisfactorily proven, to be the person whose name is subscribed to the within instrument and acknowledged that he executed the same for the purposes therein contained.

Justice of the Peace

The Town of Durham, a municipal corporation, Durham, N.H., does hereby agree that upon conveyance to it of the land described above that it will hold said land under the terms and provisions of the above covenants and restrictions, which it hereby accepts, by and through its Board of Selectmen, who have authorized the Chairman of said Board, to execute this document on this 3/2day of December 1986.

TOWN OF DURHAM

BY Palricia fisk

Chairman of the Board of Selectmen

Duly Authorized

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE COUNTY OF STRAFFORD

DATED: 2 Jecen Lev. 30, 1986

Personally appeared Patricia Fisk in her capacity as Chairman of the Board of Selectmen of the Town of Durham and acknowledges the foregoing acceptance of this document of covenants and restrictions executed by her on behalf of the Town of Durham as the free and voluntary act of the said Town,

Before me,

REGISTER OF DEEDS STRAFFORD COUNTY

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