
UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 10-0

(Mark one)

/X/ QUARTERLY REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the quarterly period ended

June 30, 1998

/ / TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the transition period from

to

Commission file number 0-20047

Corporate Office Properties Trust (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Maryland (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

23-2947217 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

One Logan Square, Suite 1105, Philadelphia, PA (Address of principal executive offices)

19103 (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (215) 567-1800

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days. [X] Yes [] No

On August 12, 1998, 9,771,083 shares of the Company's Common Shares of Beneficial Interest, \$0.01 par value, were outstanding.

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PART I. FINANCIAL INFORMATION

ITEM 1. Financial Statements

Corporate Office Properties Trust Consolidated Balance Sheet

(Dollars in thousands, except share and per share data)

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	June 30, 1998	December 31, 1997
	(unaudited)	
ts	<c></c>	<c></c>
Land	\$ 59,169	\$ 38,764
Buildings and improvements	234,717	152,945
Furniture, fixtures and equipment	265	140
Less accumulated depreciation	(5,479)	(3,224)
Net investments in real estate	288,672	188,625
Cash and cash equivalents	4,914	3,395
Restricted cash	143	
Tenant accounts receivable	315	78
Deferred rent receivable	1,221	479 857
Deferred financing costs, net Prepaid and other assets, net	1,220 1,040	100
Total assets		\$ 193,534
bilities and shareholders' equity		
Liabilities: Mortgage loans payable	\$ 144,417	\$ 114,375
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	1,282	932
Rents received in advance and security deposits	1,592	425
Dividends/distributions payable	2,706 	1,276
Total liabilities	149,997	117,008
Minority interests:		
Preferred Units	52,500	52,500
Partnership Units	11 , 999	12,362

 $\hbox{{\tt Commitments} and contingencies}$

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Shareholders' equity:

Common Shares of beneficial interest (\$0.01 par value; 45,000,000 authorized, 9,771,083 and 2,266,083 shares, issued and outstanding at June 30, 1998 and December 31, 1997,

respectively) Additional paid-in capital Accumulated deficit	98 89,287 (6,356)	23 16,620 (4,979)
Total shareholders' equity	83,029	11,664
Total liabilities and shareholders' equity	\$ 297,525	\$ 193 , 534

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

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Corporate Office Properties Trust Consolidated Statements of Operations

(Dollars in thousands, except per share data) $({\tt unaudited})$

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	For the three	e months ended	For the six	months		
ended	Jun∈	June 30,				
		1007				
1997	1998	1997				
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Revenues						
Rental income	\$ 7,058	\$ 626	\$ 11 , 977	\$		
1,252 Tenant recoveries and other income 13	784		1,390			
Total revenues 1,265		632				
Expenses						
Property operating 12	1,645	6	2,544			
General and administrative 176	359	90	658			
Interest expense	2,416	307	4,575			
Amortization of deferred financing costs	83	3	147			
Depreciation and other amortization	1,281	139	2,258			
Reformation costs			637			
Total expenses 1,087		545				
Income before minority interests 178	2,058	87	2,548			
Minority interests						
Preferred Units	(853)		(1,706)			
Partnership Units	(276)		(412)			
Net income 178	\$ 929	\$ 87	\$ 430	\$		

Earnings per Share \$ 0.12 \$ 0.06 \$ 0.09 \$

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Basic and Diluted

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

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Corporate Office Properties Trust Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows

(Dollars in thousands) (unaudited)

For the six months ended

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		ne 30,
	1998	1997
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Cash flows from operating activities:		
Net income	\$ 430	\$ 178
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities:		
Minority interests	2,118	
Depreciation and amortization	2,258	278
Amortization of deferred financing costs	147	6
Increase in deferred rent receivable	(742)	(33)
Increase in tenant accounts receivable and other assets	(1,029)	(33)
Increase (decrease) in accounts payable, accrued expenses, rents	1 517	(1)
received in advance and security deposits	1,517	(1)
Net cash provided by operating activities	4,699	395
Cash flows from investing activities:		070
Proceeds from maturity of marketable securities		879
Purchase of marketable securities Increase in restricted cash	(143)	(800)
Purchases of and additions to investments in real estate	(95,836)	
Leasing commissions paid	(151)	
Net cash (used in) provided by investing activities	(96,130)	79
Cash flows from financing activities:	70 740	
Net proceeds from issuance of Common Shares Dividends paid	72 , 742 (623)	(355)
Distributions paid	(2,235)	' '
Proceeds from mortgage loans payable	23,750	
Repayments of mortgage loans payable	(174)	(139)
Deferred financing costs	(510)	` <i>`</i>
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities	92 , 950	(494)
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	1,519	(20)
Cash and cash equivalents		
Beginning of period	3 , 395	258
End of period	\$ 4,914	\$ 238

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

Corporate Office Properties Trust Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements

(Dollars in thousands, except per share data) (unaudited)

1. Organization and Formation of Company

Corporate Office Properties Trust (formerly Royale Investments, Inc.) (the "Company") is a self-administered REIT which focuses on the ownership, acquisition and management of suburban office buildings. The Company was formed in 1988 as a Minnesota corporation. The Company has qualified as a real estate investment trust ("REIT") as defined in the Internal Revenue Code (the "Code"). As of June 30, 1998, the Company's portfolio included 31 commercial real estate properties leased for office and retail purposes.

The Company's operations are conducted primarily through Corporate Office Properties, L.P. (the "Operating Partnership"), a partnership formed to own real estate both directly and through subsidiary partnerships and limited liability companies ("LLCs"). The Company is the sole general partner in the Operating Partnership and as of June 30, 1998, owned 75.8% of the Operating Partnership's common partnership units ("Partnership Units"). The general partner of several of the subsidiary partnerships is Corporate Office Properties Holdings, Inc. ("COPH"), a wholly owned subsidiary of the Company.

On January 1, 1998, the Company changed its name to Corporate Office Properties Trust, Inc. On March 16, 1998, the Company was reformed as a Maryland real estate investment trust and changed its name to Corporate Office Properties Trust (the "Reformation"). In connection with the Reformation, 45,000,000 common shares and 5,000,000 preferred shares were authorized and each share of common stock was exchanged for one common share of beneficial interest, par \$0.01 ("Common Share") in Corporate Office Properties Trust. All common stock references in the financial statements have been restated as Common Shares. This restatement had no effect on net operations or the amounts presented as shareholders' equity.

2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

The financial statements have been prepared by the Company without audit, pursuant to the rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission. Certain information and footnote disclosures normally included in the financial statements prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles have been condensed or omitted pursuant to such rules and regulations, although the Company believes that the disclosures are adequate to make the information presented not misleading. In order to conform with generally accepted accounting principles, management, in preparation of the Company's financial statements, is required to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities as of June 30, 1998 and December 31, 1997, and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses for the three and six months ended June 30, 1998 and 1997. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

In the opinion of the Company, all adjustments (consisting solely of normal recurring matters, except for \$637 of costs associated with the Reformation) necessary to fairly present the financial position of the Company as of June 30, 1998, the results of its operations for the three and six months ended June 30, 1998 and 1997 and the cash flows for the six months ended June 30, 1998 and 1997 have been included. The results of operations for such interim periods are not necessarily indicative of the results for a full year. For further information, refer to the Company's consolidated financial statements and footnotes thereto included in the Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 1997.

Basis of Presentation

The consolidated financial statements of the Company at June 30, 1998 and December 31, 1997 include the accounts of the Company, the Operating Partnership (and its subsidiary partnerships and LLCs), and COPH.

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All intercompany transactions and balances have been eliminated in consolidation. Certain amounts from prior periods have been reclassified to conform to current year presentation. The reclassifications had no effect on net operations or shareholders' equity.

The Company, as general partner, controls the Operating Partnership; therefore consolidated financial reporting and accounting have been applied. Minority interests represent the Partnership Units and preferred partnership units ("Preferred Units") of the Operating Partnership not owned by the Company, each of which include certain interests retained by the Chairman of the Board of Trustees and the President and Chief Executive Officer of the Company ("Retained

Interests").

Earnings Per Share ("EPS")

Pursuant to SFAS No. 128, the Company has computed basic and diluted EPS for the three and six months ended June 30, 1998 and 1997. The weighted average common shares outstanding for purposes of basic and diluted EPS calculations are as follows (in thousands):

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	Three months End	ed June 30,	Six Months End	led June 30,
	1998	1997	1998	1997
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Weighted average common shares-basic	7,628	1,420	4,964	1,420
Assumed conversion of stock options	21		21	
Conversion of Preferred Units	7,500			
Conversion of Common Units	2,582			
Weighted average common shares-diluted	17,731	1,420	4,985	1,420

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The diluted EPS computation for the six months ended June 30, 1998 does not assume conversion of convertible Preferred Units and convertible Partnership Units since such conversion would have an antidilutive effect on EPS. The conversion of convertible Preferred Units and convertible Partnership Units into Common Shares would increase the diluted weighted average common shares denominator by 7,500,000 and 2,582,000 Common Shares, respectively, for the six months ended June 30, 1998. Such conversions could potentially dilute EPS in the future

Recent Accounting Pronouncements

In June 1997, the FASB issued Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 131 (`SFAS 131), "Disclosures about Segments of an Enterprise and Related Information". This statement, effective for financial statements for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 1997, requires that a public business enterprise report financial and descriptive information about its reportable operating segments. Generally, financial information is required to be reported on the basis that it is used internally for evaluating segment performance and deciding how to allocate resources to segments. While this statement effects only financial statement disclosures, the Company currently does not expect adoption of this Statement to have a material effect on the preparation of its financial statement presentation or related footnote disclosures. SFAS 131 is not effective for interim financial statements in the initial year of its application.

In March 1998, the FASB's Emerging Issues Task Force (the "Task Force") reached consensus on Emerging Issues Task Force Issue No. 97-11, "Accounting for Internal Costs Relating to Real Estate Property Acquisitions" ("EITF 97-11"). EITF 97-11, effective March 19, 1998, requires that internal costs of preacquisition activities incurred in connection with the acquisition of an operating property should be expensed as incurred. The Company does not incur significant internal costs from preacquisition activities; therefore the adoption of EITF 97-11 is not expected to have a material effect on the Company's consolidated statement of operations.

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3. Acquisitions of Real Estate

On April 30, 1998, the Company, through affiliates of the Operating Partnership, acquired nine multistory office buildings and three office/flex buildings in the Baltimore/Washington Corridor in Linthicum, Anne Arundel County, Maryland (the "Airport Square Properties"). The properties were acquired for cash at an aggregate purchase price of \$72,618, including \$1,139 in transaction costs.

On May 28, 1998, the Company, through affiliates of the Operating Partnership, acquired two multistory office buildings located in Fairfield, New Jersey (the "Fairfield Properties"). The properties were acquired at an aggregate price of \$29,405, including \$605 in transaction costs, paid through the assumption of debt of \$6,465 and proceeds from the Credit Facility, as defined below (Note 5).

4. Issuance of Shares and Options

In March 1998, options to purchase an aggregate of 45,000 shares were granted to an officer and four independent Trustees at a grant price of \$12.25 per share. Options relating to 20,000 Common Shares vest one year after the date

of grant and options relating to 25,000 Common Shares vest ratably over 3 years following the date of grant. The options expire ten years after the date of grant.

In January 1998, options to purchase 2,500 shares were exercised. In March 1998, options to purchase an additional 2,500 shares were exercised.

On April 27 1998, the Company completed the sale of 7,500,000 Common Shares to the public at a price of \$10.50 per share (the "Offering"). The net proceeds were contributed to the Operating Partnership in exchange for 7,500,000 Partnership Units. The Operating Partnership used the proceeds to fund acquisitions.

5. Mortgage Loans Payable

On May 28, 1998, the Company obtained a \$100,000 secured revolving credit facility (the "Credit Facility") initially collateralized by the Airport Square Properties and one of the Fairfield Properties. The Credit Facility is a variable rate loan bearing interest at LIBOR plus 175 basis points and provides for monthly payments of interest only. A fee of 25 basis points per annum on the unused amount of the Credit Facility will be payable quarterly, in arrears. As of June 30, 1998, \$23,750 was borrowed under the Credit Facility. In addition, \$5,000 of the Credit Facility was issued as a letter of credit, which the Company posted as a deposit in connection with the Constellation Transaction as, defined below (Note 9).

On May 28, 1998, the Company assumed \$6,465 in debt collateralized by one of the Fairfield Properties. The debt bears interest at a fixed rate of 8.29% per annum and provides for monthly payments of principal and interest totaling \$56.

6. Dividends and Distributions

The Company declared a dividend on March 16, 1998 of \$0.15 per Common Share, which was paid on April 15, 1998 to shareholders of record as of March 31, 1998. The Company also declared a dividend on June 2, 1998 of \$0.15 per Common Share which was paid on July 15, 1998 to shareholders of record as of June 30, 1998.

The Company declared distributions to minority interests holding Partnership Units and Preferred Units of \$388 and \$853, respectively, which were paid on April 15, 1998. The Company declared distributions to minority interests holding Partnership Units and Preferred Units of \$387 and \$853, respectively, which were paid on July 15, 1998.

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7. Supplemental Information to Statements of Cash Flows <TABLE> <CAPTION>

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Supplemental schedule of non-cash investing and financing activities:
 In conjunction with certain property acquisitions the following
 assets and liabilities were assumed:
 Purchase of real estate

Mortgage loans
 Proceeds from acquisitions of properties

For the six months	ended June 30,
1998	1997
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\$ 6,465	\$
(6,465)	
\$ 	\$

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8. Commitments and Contingencies

On May 14, 1998, the Company entered into a series of agreements through affiliates of the Operating Partnership with Constellation Real Estate Group, Inc. ("Constellation") and certain of its affiliates (the "Constellation Transaction") to acquire (i) interests in eighteen operating office and retail properties, (ii) options and rights of first refusal on 91 acres of land and (iii) certain assets of Constellation's real estate management subsidiary, including its 75% interest in Constellation Realty Management, LLC, a real estate management firm. The total purchase price of the Constellation Transaction is approximately \$204,600 to be paid as follows: (i) \$107,600 of cash and/or assumption of debt, (ii) \$72,750 of Common Shares (approximately 6,928,000 Common Shares at \$10.50 per share) and (iii) \$24,250 of Class A Convertible Preferred Shares (convertible into Common Shares after two years at

the rate of \$13.34 per Common Share). A Special Meeting of the shareholders to vote to approve the Constellation Transaction is scheduled for August 21, 1998. In connection with the Constellation Transaction, \$5,000 of the Credit Facility was issued as a letter of credit, which the Company posted as a deposit.

Other commitments and contingencies of the Company that existed at December 31, 1997, are substantially unchanged.

9. Pro Forma Financial Information (Unaudited)

The acquisitions by the Company during 1997 and 1998 were accounted for by the purchase method. The results of operations for the properties acquired have been included in the accompanying consolidated statements of operations from their respective purchase dates through June 30, 1998.

The following pro forma condensed consolidated financial information of the Company has been prepared as if the all property acquisitions occurring during 1997 and 1998 had occurred as of the beginning of the period, and therefore include pro forma adjustments as deemed necessary by management. The pro forma financial information is unaudited and is not necessarily indicative of the results of which actually would have occurred if the acquisitions had occurred on January 1, 1997 and 1998, nor does it purport to represent the results of operations for future periods.

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ITEM 2. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations

(Dollars in thousands, except share and per share data)

This Form 10-0 contains forward-looking statements within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1993 and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. The words "believe", "expect", "anticipate", "intend", "estimate" and other expressions which are predictions of or indicate future events and trends and which do not relate to historical matters identify forward-looking statements. The Company's actual results could differ materially from those set forth in the forward-looking statements. Certain factors that might cause such a difference include the following: real estate investment considerations, such as the effect of economic and other conditions in the market area on cash flows and values; the need to renew leases or release space upon the expiration of current leases, and the ability of a property to generate revenues sufficient to meet debt service payments and other operating expenses; and risks associated with borrowings, such as the possibility that the Company will not have sufficient funds available to make principal payments on outstanding debt or outstanding debt may be refinanced at higher interest rates or otherwise on terms less favorable to the Company.

The following discussion and analysis of the financial condition and results of operations should be read in conjunction with the accompanying financial statements and notes thereto.

Overview

The Company's results of operations reflect its growth resulting from the acquisitions of 10 office properties in October 1997, 12 office properties in April 1998 and 2 office properties in May 1998. The 1998 acquisitions were financed with the proceeds from the Offering in April 1998, the proceeds of the Credit Facility and the assumption of debt in connection with the acquisition of the Fairfield Properties.

Results of Operations

Comparison of the Six Months Ended June 30, 1998 and 1997: Total revenues, which include rental income, recoveries from tenants and other income, increased by \$12,102 for the six months ended June 30, 1998 as compared to the corresponding prior year period. Of this increase, \$10,725 results from an increase in base rents, substantially all of which is attributable to the effects of the property acquisitions. Tenant recoveries and other income

increased \$1,377 due predominantly to tenant recoveries from newly acquired properties.

Property operating expenses and depreciation and amortization increased by \$4,512 primarily as a result of the effects of the property acquisitions. Interest expense and amortization of deferred financing costs increased by \$4,101 as a result of debt obtained or assumed in connection with certain of the Company's acquisitions. General and administrative expenses increased by \$482 due to the conversion of the Company from an externally-advised REIT to a self-administered REIT, which resulted in the addition of certain management and other staffing functions. The operations for the six months ended June 30, 1998 also included \$637 in costs associated with the Reformation on March 16, 1998.

As a result of the above factors, income before minority interests increased by \$2,370. Minority interests represent the portion of the Operating Partnership which is not owned by the Company. The Company did not have minority interests in the corresponding prior year period. Earnings per share decreased by \$0.04 per share due to the issuance of Common Shares in October 1997 and in the Offering of April, 1998 combined with other factors discussed above.

Comparison of the Three Months Ended June 30, 1998 and 1997: Total revenues, which include rental income, recoveries from tenants and other income, increased by \$7,210 for the three months ended June 30, 1998 as compared to the corresponding prior year period. Of this increase, \$6,432 results from an increase in base rents, substantially all of which is attributable to the effects of the property acquisitions. Tenant recoveries and other income increased \$778 due predominantly to tenant recoveries from newly acquired properties.

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Property operating expenses and depreciation and amortization increased by \$2,781 primarily as a result of the effects of the property acquisitions. Interest expense and amortization of deferred financing costs increased by \$2,189 as a result of debt obtained or assumed in connection with certain of the Company's acquisitions. General and administrative expenses increased by \$269 due to the conversion of the Company from an externally-advised REIT to a self-administered REIT, which resulted in the addition of certain management and other staffing functions.

As a result of the above factors, income before minority interests increased by \$1,971. Minority interests represent the portion of the Operating Partnership which is not owned by the Company. The Company did not have minority interests in the corresponding period in 1997. Earnings per share increased by \$0.06 per share due to the factors discussed above partially offset by the effects of the issuance of Common Shares in October, 1997 and the Offering of April 1998.

Liquidity and Capital Resources

Historically, cash provided from operations represented the primary source of liquidity to fund distributions, pay debt service and fund working capital requirements. The Company expects to continue to meet its short-term capital needs from property cash flow, including all property expenses, general and administrative expenses, dividend and distribution requirements and recurring capital improvements and leasing commissions. The Company does not anticipate borrowing to meet these requirements.

In January 1998, the Company paid dividends of \$0.125 per Common Share, amounting to \$282, and distributions to minority interests holding Partnership Units and Preferred Units totaling \$274 and \$720, respectively. In April 1998, the Company paid dividends of \$0.15 per Common Share, amounting to \$341, and distributions to minority interests holding Partnership Units and Preferred Units totaling \$388 and \$853, respectively. In July 1998, the Company paid dividends totaling \$0.15 per Common Share, amounting to \$1,466, and distributions to minority interests holding Partnership Units and Preferred Units amounted to \$387 and \$853, respectively.

On April 27, 1998, the Company completed the sale of 7,500,000 Common Shares to the public at a price of \$10.50 per share. The Company used the proceeds to acquire 7,500,000 Partnership Units and increase its percentage interest in the Operating Partnership to approximately 75.8%. Net proceeds from the Offering were \$72,742, which were used principally by the Operating Partnership on April 30, 1998, to acquire the Airport Square Properties, consisting of twelve office properties in the Baltimore/Washington corridor totaling approximately 815,000 net rentable square feet. In connection with the Offering, the Company's Shares were listed on the New York Stock exchange under the symbol "OFC".

On May 28, 1998, the Company, through the Operating Partnership, acquired the Fairfield Properties, two multistory office buildings located in Fairfield, New Jersey totaling approximately 262,000 net rentable square feet.

On May 28, 1998, the Company obtained a \$100,000 senior secured

revolving Credit Facility. The Credit Facility is a variable rate loan bearing interest at LIBOR plus 175 basis points and provides for monthly payments of interest only. A fee of 25 basis points per annum on the unused amount of the Credit Facility is payable quarterly, in arrears. On May 28, 1998, the Company borrowed \$23,750 under the Credit Facility to fund a portion of the Fairfield Properties' acquisition. The Company intends to utilize the remaining balance of the Credit Facility for acquisitions, renovations, tenant improvements and leasing commissions. The Credit Facility is collateralized by the Airport Square Properties and one of the Fairfield Properties.

On May 28, 1998, also in connection with the Fairfield Properties acquisition, the Company assumed \$6,465 in mortgage debt collateralized by one of the Fairfield Properties. The loan bears interest at a fixed rate of 8.29% per annum and provides for monthly payments of principal and interest totaling \$56.

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On May 14, 1998, the Company entered into a series of agreements through affiliates of the Operating Partnership with Constellation and certain of its affiliates to acquire (i) interests in eighteen operating office and retail properties, (ii) options and rights of first refusal on 91 acres of land and (iii) certain assets of Constellation's real estate management subsidiary, including its 75% interest in Constellation Realty Management, LLC, a real estate management firm. The total purchase price of the Constellation Transaction is approximately \$204,600 to be paid as follows: (i) \$107,600 of cash and/or assumption of debt, (ii) \$72,750 of Common Shares (approximately 6,928,000 Common Shares at \$10.50 per share) and (iii) \$24,250 of Class A Convertible Preferred Shares (convertible into Common Shares after two years at the rate of \$13.34 per Common Share). A Special Meeting of the shareholders to vote to approve the Constellation Transaction is scheduled for August 21, 1998. This transaction may partially be funded by availability under the Credit Facility. In addition, the Company is presently negotiating with several lending institutions regarding additional secured financing to fund the Constellation Transaction. In connection with the Constellation Transaction, as of June 30, 1998, \$5,000 of the Credit Facility was issued as a letter of credit which the Company posted as a deposit.

To further meet long-term capital needs, the Company is presently negotiating with several lending institutions regarding additional secured financing arrangements, which the Company intends to utilize for additional acquisitions, renovations, tenant improvements and leasing commissions. Acquisitions may also be financed through net cash provided from operations or equity issuances. There is no assurance that the Company will be able to obtain such financing or that such financing will be adequate to fund the Company's acquisition and capital program.

The Company expects to meet its long term liquidity requirements, such as property acquisitions, scheduled debt maturities, major renovations, expansions, and other non-recurring capital improvements through long-term collateralized indebtedness and the issuance of additional equity securities.

Statement of Cash Flows

During the six months ended June 30, 1998, the Company generated \$4,699 in cash flow from operating activities (net of nonrecurring Reformation costs of \$637), an increase of \$4,304 compared to the corresponding prior year period. This increase is due primarily to the effects of the Company's acquisition of operating properties. Other sources of cash flow consisted of (i) \$72,742 in net proceeds from the Offering and (ii) \$23,750 in additional borrowings under the Company's Credit Facility. During the six months ended June 30, 1998, the Company's major uses of cash included (i) \$95,987 to fund property acquisitions, tenant improvements, and leasing commissions and (ii) \$2,858 to pay dividends to shareholders and distributions to minority interests holding Partnership Units and Preferred Units.

Funds From Operations

The Company considers Funds From Operation ("FFO") to be helpful to investors as a measure of the financial performance of an equity REIT. In accordance with NAREIT's definition, FFO is defined as net income (loss) computed in accordance with GAAP, excluding gains (or losses) from debt restructuring and sales of property, plus real estate-related depreciation and amortization and afteradjustments for unconsolidated partnerships and joint ventures and extraordinary and nonrecurring items. FFO does not represent cash generated from operating activities determined in accordance with GAAP and should not be considered as an alternative to net income (determined in accordance with GAAP) as an indication of the Company's financial performance or to cash flow from operating activities (determined in accordance with GAAP) as a measure of the Company's liquidity, nor is it indicative of funds available to fund the Company's cash needs, including its ability to make cash distributions. Other REITs may not define FFO in accordance with the current NAREIT definition or may interpret the current NAREIT definition differently from the Company. FFO for the six months ended June 30, 1998 and 1997, as calculated in accordance with the NAREIT definition published in March 1995, are summarized in the

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	Three Months	Ended June 30,	Six Months E	nded June 30,
	1998	1997	1998	1997
<\$>	<c></c>	<c></c>	<c></c>	<c></c>
Income before minority interests	\$ 2,058	\$ 87 	\$ 2,548	\$ 178
Add: Nonrecurring charge Reformation costs			637	
amortization Less: Preferred Unit distributions	1,270 (853)	139 	2,241 (1,706)	277
Funds from operations	2,475 853	226 	3,720 1,706	455
conversion of Preferred Units	\$ 3,328 	\$ 226 	\$ 5,426 	\$ 455
Weighted average Common Shares/Units outstanding (1)	10,210	1,420	7,546 	1,420
Weighted average Common Shares/Units outstanding diluted (2)	17 , 731	1,420	15 , 067	1,420

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(1) Assumes redemption of all Partnership Units, calculated on a weighted average basis for Common Shares. Includes 282,508 Common Shares issuable upon redemption of Partnership Units issuable upon the conversion of the Retained Interests. Excludes the weighted average effect of the conversion of 186,455 Retained Interests into 186,455 Preferred Units and 1,913,545 Preferred Units, both convertible into an aggregate of 7,499,940 Partnership Units which are, in turn, redeemable for 7,499,940 Common Shares.

(2) Assumes redemption of all Partnership Units, calculated on a weighted average basis for Common Shares. Includes 282,508 Common Shares issuable upon redemption of Partnership Units issuable upon the conversion of the Retained Interests. Includes the weighted average effect of the conversion of 186,455 Retained Interests into 186,455 Preferred Units and 1,913,545 Preferred Units, both convertible into an aggregate of 7,499,940 Partnership Units which are, in turn, redeemable for 7,499,940 Common Shares. Includes 70,000 Common Shares for the assumed conversion of stock options (using the Treasury stock method). Conversion of convertible Preferred Units and Partnership Units is assumed in computing the diluted weighted average Common Shares denominator since such conversion has a dilutive effect on FFO.

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PART II. OTHER INFORMATION

ITEM 1. Legal Proceedings

The Company is not currently involved in any material litigation nor, to the Company's knowledge, is any material litigation currently threatened against the Company (other than routine litigation arising in the ordinary course of business, substantially all of which is expected to be covered by liability insurance).

ITEM 2. Changes In Securities

None.

ITEM 3. Defaults Upon Senior Securities

None.

ITEM 4. Submission Of Matters To A Vote Of Security Holders

ITEM 5. Other Information

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None.

ITEM 6. Exhibits and Reports on Form 8-K

(a) Exhibits:

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> EXHIBIT NO.	DESCRIPTION
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2.1	Assignment of Partnership Interests dated as of April 30, 1998 between Airport Square Limited Partnership, Airport Square Corporation, Camp Meade Corporation and COPT Airport Square One LLC and COPT Airport Square Two LLC. (filed with the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K on May 14, 1998 and incorporated herein by reference).
2.2	Contribution Agreement between the Company and the Operating Partnership and certain Constellation affiliates (filed as Exhibit A of the Company's Schedule 14A Information on June 26, 1998 and incorporated herein by reference).
2.3	Service Company Asset Contribution Agreement between the Company and the Operating Partnership and certain Constellation affiliates (filed as Exhibit B of the Company's Schedule 14A Information on June 26, 1998 and incorporated herein by reference).
2.4	Amended and Restated Limited Partnership Agreement of the Operating Partnership dated March 16, 1998.
10.1	Assignment of Purchase and Sale Agreement dated as of April 30, 1998 between Aetna Life Insurance Company and the Operating Partnership. (filed with the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K on May 14, 1998 and incorporated herein by reference).
10.2	Assignment of Loan Purchase and Sale Agreement dated as of April 30, 1998 between Constellation Real Estate, Inc. and the Operating Partnership. (filed with the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K on May 14, 1998 and incorporated herein by reference).
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10.3	Purchase and Sale Agreement dated as of April 1, 1998 between Aetna Life Insurance Company and Airport Square Limited Partnership (filed with the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K on May 14, 1998 and incorporated herein by reference).
10.4	Loan Purchase and Sale Agreement dated as of March 13, 1998 between Aetna Life Insurance Company and Constellation Real Estate, Inc. (filed with the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K on May 14, 1998 and incorporated herein by reference).
10.5	Amendment to Loan Purchase and Sale Agreement dated as of April 16, 1998 between Aetna Life Insurance Company and Constellation Real Estate, Inc. (filed with the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K on May 14, 1998 and incorporated herein by reference).
10.6	Purchase and Sale Agreement dated as of March 4, 1998 between 695 Rt. 46 Realty, LLC, 710 Rt. 46 Realty, LLC and COPT Acquisitions, Inc. (filed with the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K on June 10, 1998 and incorporated herein by reference).
10.7	Letter Amendment to Purchase and Sale Agreement dated as of March 26, 1998 between 695 Rt. 46 Realty, LLC, 710 Rt. 46 Realty, LLC and COPT Acquisitions, Inc. (filed with the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K on June 10, 1998 and incorporated herein by reference).

Secured Promissory Note dated as of April 29, 1997 between

710 Rt. 46 Realty, LLC and Life Investors Insurance Company of America (filed with the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K on June 10, 1998 and incorporated herein by reference).

- 10.9 Mortgage and Security Agreement dated as of April 29, 1997 between 710 Rt. 46 Realty, LLC and Life Investors Insurance Company of America (filed with the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K on June 10, 1998 and incorporated herein by reference).
- 10.10 Senior Secured Revolving Credit Agreement dated as of May 28, 1998 between Corporate Office Properties, L.P., Corporate Office Properties Trust, Any Mortgaged Property Subsidiary and Bankers Trust Company (filed with the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K on June 10, 1998 and incorporated herein by reference).
- 10.11 Option Agreement between the Operating Partnership and NBP-III, LLC (a Constellation affiliate) (filed as Exhibit C of the Company's Schedule 14A Information on June 26, 1998 and incorporated herein by reference).
- 10.12 Option Agreement between the Operating Partnership and Constellation Gatespring II, LLC (a Constellation affiliate) (filed as Exhibit D of the Company's Schedule 14A Information on June 26, 1998 and incorporated herein by reference).
- 10.13 First Amendment to Option Agreement between the Operating Partnership and NBP-III, LLC (a Constellation affiliate) (filed as Exhibit E of the Company's Schedule 14A Information on June 26, 1998 and incorporated herein by reference).
- 10.14 First Amendment to Option Agreement between the Operating Partnership and Constellation Gatespring II, LLC (a Constellation affiliate) (filed as Exhibit F of the Company's Schedule 14A Information on June 26, 1998 and incorporated herein by reference).

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- 10.15 Development Property Acquisition Agreement between the Operating Partnership and Constellation Properties, Inc. (a Constellation affiliate) (filed as Exhibit G of the Company's Schedule 14A Information on June 26, 1998 and incorporated herein by reference).
- 10.16 Development Property Acquisition Agreement between the Operating Partnership and CPI Piney Orchard Village Center, Inc. (a Constellation affiliate) (filed as Exhibit H of the Company's Schedule 14A Information on June 26, 1998 and incorporated herein by reference).
- 10.17 Amended and Restated Registration Rights Agreement dated March 16, 1998 for the benefit of certain shareholders of the Company.
- 27.1 Financial Data Schedule.
- 99.1 Press release dated May 15, 1998 regarding the Company's entrance into a series of agreements through affiliates of the Operating Partnership with Constellation and certain Constellation affiliates to acquire real estate properties and service businesses (filed with the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K on May 29, 1998 and incorporated herein by reference).
- 99.2 Press release dated August 12, 1998 regarding the Company's earnings for the period ended June 30, 1998 (filed with the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K on August 12, 1998 and incorporated herein by reference).

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(b) Reports on Form 8-K

During the three months ended June 30, 1998 and through August 7, 1998 the Company filed the following:

i. a Current Report of Form 8-K filed May 15, 1998 (Reporting under Items 2 and 7) regarding the Company's acquisition through affiliates of the Operating Partnership of nine multistory office buildings and three office/flex buildings located in the Baltimore/Washington corridor

adjacent to BWI Airport in Linthicum, Anne Arundel County, Maryland.

- ii.a Current Report of Form 8-K filed May 29, 1998 (Reporting under Items 5 and 7) regarding the Company's entrance into a series of agreements through affiliates of the Operating Partnership with Constellation and certain Constellation affiliates to acquire real estate properties and service businesses.
- iii. a Current Report of Form 8-K filed June 10, 1998 (Reporting under Items 2, 5 and 7) regarding the Company's acquisition through affiliates of the Operating Partnership of two multistory office buildings located in Fairfield, New Jersey and the Company's procurement of a \$100,000 secured credit facility.
- iv.a Current Report of Form 8-KA filed July 7, 1998 (Amending Items 2 and 7
 as originally filed) regarding the Company's acquisition through
 affiliates of the Operating Partnership of two multistory office
 buildings located in Fairfield, New Jersey.
- v. a Current Report of Form 8-KA filed July 7, 1998 (Amending Items 2 and 7 as originally filed) regarding the Company's acquisition through affiliates of the Operating Partnership of nine multistory office buildings and three office/flex buildings located in the Baltimore/Washington corridor adjacent to BWI Airport in Linthicum, Anne Arundel County, Maryland.

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Act of 1934, the Company has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

CORPORATE OFFICE PROPERTIES TRUST

Date August 12, 1998

By: /s/ Clay W. Hamlin, III

----Clay W. Hamlin, III
President and Chief Executive Officer
(Principal Executive Officer)

Date August 12, 1998

Thomas D. Cassel
Vice President - Finance and Treasurer
(Principal Financial and Accounting Officer)

By: /s/ Thomas D. Cassel

CORPORATE OFFICE PROPERTIES, L.P.

AMENDED AND RESTATED LIMITED PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENT

THESE SECURITIES ARE SUBJECT TO RESTRICTIONS ON TRANSFERABILITY AND RESALE AND MAY NOT BE TRANSFERRED OR RESOLD EXCEPT AS PERMITTED UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933, AS AMENDED, AND THE APPLICABLE STATE SECURITIES LAWS PURSUANT TO A REGISTRATION OR EXEMPTION THEREFROM.

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CORPORATE OFFICE PROPERTIES, L.P.

AMENDED AND RESTATED LIMITED PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENT

The undersigned, being the sole general partner and the initial Limited Partners of CORPORATE OFFICE PROPERTIES, L.P. (the "Partnership"), a limited partnership formed under the Delaware Revised Uniform Limited Partnership Act, do hereby enter into this Partnership Agreement as of this 16th day of March 1998.

RECITALS:

of Limited Partnership filed on October 10, 1997 with the Secretary of State of the State of Delaware under the name "FCO, L.P." following the execution of a Limited Partnership Agreement dated October 14, 1997 (the "Original Partnership Agreement") among the General Partner's predecessor and the initial Limited Partners.

- B. The Partnership changed its name to Corporate Office Property, L.P. as of January 1, 1998.
- $\,$ C. $\,$ The General Partner was reformed as a Maryland real estate investment trust on the date hereof.
- D. The General Partner, the Limited Partners and the Preferred Limited Partners desire to set forth the understandings and agreements, including certain rights and obligations, among the Partners (as hereinafter defined) with respect to the Partnership. This Agreement amends, restates and supersedes the Original Partnership Agreement in its entirety.

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ARTICLE I - INTERPRETIVE PROVISIONS

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SECTION 1.1 Certain Definitions. The following terms have the definitions hereinafter indicated whenever used in this Agreement with initial capital letters:

 $\hbox{Act:} \quad \hbox{The Delaware Revised Uniform Limited Partnership Act, Sections 17-101 to 17 -1111 of the Delaware Code, Title 6, as amended from time to time.} \\$

Additional Limited Partner/Preferred Limited Partner: A Person admitted to the Partnership as a Limited Partner or Preferred Limited Partner in accordance with Section 8.7 hereof and who is shown as such on the books and records of the Partnership in such Person's capacity as a limited partner of the Partnership.

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Adjusted Capital Account: With respect to any Partner, such Partner's Capital Account maintained in accordance with Section 4.4 hereof, as of the end of the relevant Fiscal Year of the Partnership, after giving effect to the following adjustments:

- (A) Credit to such Capital Account such Partner's share of Partnership Minimum Gain determined in accordance with Treasury Regulations Section 1.704-2(g)(1) and such Partner's share of Partner Minimum Gain determined in accordance with Treasury Regulations Section 1.7042(i)(5).
- (B) Debit to such Capital Account the items described in Treasury Regulations Section 1.704-1(b)(2)(ii)(d)(4), (5) and (6).

The foregoing definition of "Adjusted Capital Account" is intended to comply with the provisions of Treasury Regulations Sections 1.704-1(b)(2)(ii) and 1.704-2 and shall he interpreted consistently therewith.

Adjusted Capital Account Deficit: With respect to any Partner, the deficit balance, if any, in that Partner's Adjusted Capital Account as of the end of the relevant Fiscal Year of the Partnership.

Affiliate: With respect to any referenced Person, (i) a member of such Person's immediate family; (ii) any Person who directly or indirectly owns, controls or holds the power to vote ten percent (10%) or more of the outstanding voting interests or securities of the Person in question; (iii) any Person ten percent (10%) or more of whose outstanding interests or securities are directly or indirectly owned, controlled, or held with power to vote by the Person in question; (iv) any Person directly or indirectly controlling, controlled by, or under direct or indirect common control with the Person in question; (v) if the Person in question is a corporation, any executive officer or director of such Person or of any corporation directly or indirectly controlling such Person: and (vi) if the Person in question is a partnership, any general partner of the partnership or any limited partner owning or controlling ten percent (10%) or more of either the capital or profits interest in such partnership. As used herein, "control" shall mean the possession, directly or indirectly, of the power to direct or cause the direction of the management and policies of a Person, whether through the ownership of voting securities, by contract, or otherwise.

Agreed Value: In the case of any (i) Contributed Property acquired pursuant to a Contribution Agreement, the value of such Contributed Property as set forth in or determined pursuant to such Contribution Agreement or, if no such value is set forth or determined for such Contributed Property, the portion of the consideration provided for

under such Contribution Agreement allocable to such Contributed Property, as determined by the General Partner in its reasonable discretion, (ii) Contributed Property acquired other than pursuant to a Contribution Agreement, the fair market value of such property at the time of contribution, as determined by the General Partner using such method of valuation as it may adopt in its reasonable discretion and (iii) property distributed to a Partner by the Partnership, the Partnership's Book Value of such property at the time such property is distributed without taking into account, in the case of each of (i), (ii) and (iii), the amount of any re-

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lated indebtedness assumed by the Partnership (or the Partner in the case of clause (iii)) or to which the Contributed Property is taken subject.

Agreement: This Limited Partnership Agreement and all Exhibits attached hereto, as the same may be amended or restated and in effect from time to time which are hereby incorporated by reference and made a part of this Agreement.

Assignee: Any Person to whom one or more Partnership Units or Preferred Units have been Transferred as permitted under this Agreement but who has not become a Substituted Limited Partner/Preferred Limited Partner in accordance with the provisions hereof.

Bankruptcy: Either (i) a referenced Person's making an assignment for the benefit of creditors, (ii) the filing by a referenced Person of a voluntary petition in bankruptcy, (iii) a referenced Person's being adjudged insolvent or having entered against such referenced Person an order for relief in any bankruptcy or insolvency proceeding, (iv) the filing by a referenced Person of an answer seeking any reorganization, composition, readjustment, liquidation, dissolution, or similar relief under any law or regulation, (v) the filing by a referenced Person of an answer or other pleading admitting or failing to contest the material allegations of a petition filed against such referenced Person in any proceeding of reorganization, composition, readjustment, liquidation, dissolution, or for similar relief under any statute, law or regulation or (vi) a referenced Person's seeking, consenting to, or acquiescing in the appointment of a trustee, receiver or liquidator for all or substantially all of such referenced Person's property (or court appointment of such trustee, receiver or liquidator). The foregoing is intended to supersede the events listed in Section 17-402(a)(4) and (5) of the Act.

Book-Tax Disparity: With respect to any item of Contributed Property, or property the Book Value of which has been adjusted in accordance with Section $4.4\,(\mathrm{D})$, as of the date of determination, the difference between the Book Value of such property and the adjusted basis of such property for federal income tax purposes.

Book Value: With respect to any Contributed Property, the Agreed Value of such property reduced (but not below zero) by all Depreciation with respect to such property properly charged to the Partners' Capital Accounts and with respect to any other asset, the asset's adjusted basis for federal income tax purposes; provided, however, (a) the Book Value of all Partnership Assets shall be adjusted in the event of a revaluation of Partnership Assets in accordance with Section 4.4(D) hereof, (b) the Book Value of any Partnership Asset distributed to any Partner shall be the fair market value of such asset on the date of distribution as determined by the General Partner and (c) such Book Value shall be adjusted by the Depreciation taken into account with respect to such asset for purposes of computing Profits and Losses.

 $\hbox{ Capital Account: The account maintained by the Partnership for each Partner described in Section 4.4 hereof. }$

Capital Contribution: The total amount of cash or cash equivalents and the Agreed Value (reduced to take into account the amount of any related indebtedness assumed by the Partner

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ship, or to which the Contributed Property is subject) of Contributed Property which a Partner contributes or is deemed to contribute to the Partnership pursuant to the terms of this Agreement.

Cash Payment: The payment to a Redeeming Party of a cash amount determined by multiplying (i) the number of Partnership Units tendered for redemption by such Redeeming Party pursuant to a validly proffered Redemption Notice by (ii) the Unit Value with respect to such Partnership Units.

Certificate: The Partnership's Certificate of Limited Partnership filed in the office of the Secretary of State of the State of

Delaware, as amended from time to time.

Code: The Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended from

time to time.

Consent: Either the written consent of a Person or the affirmative vote of such Person at a meeting duly called and held pursuant to this Agreement, as the case may be, to do the act or thing for which the consent or vote is required or solicited, or the act of granting such consent or vote, as the context may require.

Contributed Property: Each property or other asset (excluding cash and cash equivalents) contributed or deemed contributed to the Partnership (whether as a result of a Code Section 708 termination or otherwise). For the avoidance of doubt, the properties and assets held by the partnership constituting the Contributed Interests (as defined in the Formation Agreement) shall constitute Contributed Properties to the extent the Contributed Interests are acquired by the Partnership.

Contribution Agreements: Those certain agreements among one or more of the Initial Limited Partners (or Persons in which such Initial Limited Partners have direct or indirect interests) and the Partnership pursuant to which, inter alia, the Initial Limited Partners (or such Persons), directly or indirectly contributed property to the Partnership on October 14, 1997 in exchange for Partnership Units or Preferred Units or are to contribute property to the Partnership in exchange for Partnership Units or Preferred Units including, without limitation, the Formation Agreement.

Conversion Factor: The factor (carried out to four decimal places) applied for converting Partnership Units to REIT Shares, which shall initially be 1.0; provided, however, in the event that on or after the date of this Agreement the General Partner (i) declares or pays a dividend on its outstanding REIT Shares in REIT Shares or makes a distribution to all holders of its outstanding REIT Shares in REIT Shares, (ii) subdivides its outstanding REIT Shares or (iii) combines its outstanding REIT Shares into a

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smaller number of REIT Shares, the Conversion Factor shall be adjusted by multiplying the Conversion Factor by a fraction, the numerator of which shall be the number of REIT Shares issued and outstanding on the record date (assuming for such purposes that such dividend, distribution, subdivision or combination has occurred as of such time), and the denominator of which shall be the actual number of REIT Shares (determined without the above assumption) issued and outstanding on the record date for such dividend, distribution, subdivision or combination; provided, further, in the event that the Partnership (a) declares or pays a distribution on the outstanding Partnership Units in Partnership Units or makes a distribution to all Partners in Partnership Units, (b) subdivides the outstanding Partnership Units or (c) combines the outstanding Partnership Units into a smaller number of Partnership Units, the Conversion Factor shall be adjusted by multiplying the Conversion Factor by a fraction, the numerator of which shall be the actual number of Partnership Units issued and outstanding on the record date (determined without giving effect to such dividend, distribution, subdivision or combination), and the denominator of which shall be the actual number of Partnership Units (determined after giving effect to such dividend, distribution, subdivision or combination) issued and outstanding on such record date. Any adjustment to the Conversion Factor shall become effective immediately after the effective date of such event retroactive to the record date, if any, for such event.

 $$\operatorname{\textsc{COPT:}}$ Corporate Office Properties Trust, a Maryland real estate investment trust.

Depreciation: For each Fiscal Year or other period, an amount equal to the depreciation, amortization or other cost recovery deduction allowable with respect to an asset for such year or other period, except that if the Book Value of an asset differs from its adjusted basis for federal income tax purposes at the beginning of such year or other period, Depreciation shall be adjusted as necessary so as to be an amount which bears the same ratio to such beginning Book Value as the federal income tax depreciation, amortization, or other cost recovery deduction for such year or other period bears to the beginning adjusted tax basis; provided, however, that if the federal income tax depreciation, amortization or other cost recovery deduction for such year or other period is zero, Depreciation for such year or other period shall be determined with reference to such beginning Book Value using any reasonable method approved by the General Partner.

 $\label{eq:def:Distributable Cash:} \text{ with respect to any period, and without duplication:}$

(i) all cash receipts of the Partnership during such period

- (ii) less all cash disbursements of the Partnership during such period. including, without limitation, disbursements for operating expenses, taxes, debt service (including, without limitation, the payment of principal, premium and interest), redemption of Partnership Interests and capital expenditures;
- $% \left(1,1,...,1\right) =1$ (iii) less amounts added to reserves in the reasonable discretion of the General Partner;
- $\,$ (iv) plus amounts withdrawn from reserves in the reasonable discretion of the General Partner.

Distribution Period: The quarterly period commencing on January 1, April 1, July 1 and October 1 of each year and ending on and including the day preceding the next Distribution Period Commencement Date with respect to the Preferred Units.

 $\,$ ERISA: The Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1976, as amended from time to time.

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 $\hbox{Fiscal Year: The calendar year or such other twelve (12)} \\ \hbox{month period designated by the General} \\ \hbox{Partner.}$

Formation Agreement: The Formation/Contribution Agreement dated as of September 7, 1997 by and among Royale, H/SIC Corporation, Strategic Facility Investors, Inc., South Brunswick Investment Company, LLC, Comcourt Investment Corporation, Gateway Shannon Development Corporation, Crown Advisors, Inc., Vernon R. Beck and John Parsinen, as the same has heretofore been and hereafter may at any time be amended, modified and supplemented and in effect.

General Partner: COPT, and its respective successor(s) who or which become Successor General Partner(s) in accordance with the terms of this Agreement, in its capacity as general partner of the Partnership.

General Partner Interest: A Partnership Interest held by the General Partner that is a general partner interest. A General Partner Interest may be expressed as a number of Partnership Units.

Involuntary Withdrawal: As to any (i) individual shall mean such individual's death, incapacity or adjudication of incompetence, (ii) corporation shall mean its dissolution or revocation of its charter (unless such revocation is promptly corrected upon notice thereof), (iii) partnership shall mean the dissolution and commencement of winding up of its affairs, (iv) trust shall mean the termination of the trust (but not the substitution of trustees), (v) estate shall mean the distribution by the fiduciary of the estate's complete interest in the Partnership and (vi) Partner shall mean the Bankruptcy of such Partner.

 $$\operatorname{IRS}$: The Internal Revenue Service, which administers the internal revenue laws of the United States.

Limited Partner: Those Persons listed as such on Exhibit 1 attached hereto and made a part hereof, as such Exhibit may be amended from time to time, including any Person who becomes a Substituted Limited Partner or an Additional Limited Partner in accordance with the terms of this Agreement in such Person's capacity as a limited partner of the Partnership; provided, however, that such term shall not include the Preferred Limited Partners.

Limited Partner Interest: A Partnership Interest held by a Limited Partner that is a limited partner interest. A Limited Partner Interest may be expressed as a number of Partnership Units.

Nonrecourse Liability: A liability as defined in Treasury Regulations Section $1.704-2\,(b)\,(3)$.

Notice: A writing containing the information required by this Agreement to be communicated to a Person and delivered to such Person in accordance with Section 12.4; provided, however, that any written communication containing such information actually received by such Person shall constitute Notice for all purposes of this Agreement.

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Partner Minimum Gain: The gain (regardless of character) which would be realized by the Partnership if property of the Partnership subject to a partner nonrecourse debt (as such term is defined in Treasury Regulation Section 1.704-2(b)(4)) were disposed of in full satisfaction of

such debt on the relevant date. The adjusted basis of property subject to more than one partner nonrecourse debt shall be allocated in a manner consistent with the allocation of basis for purposes of determining Partnership Minimum Gain hereunder. Partner Minimum Gain shall be computed hereunder using the Book Value, rather than the adjusted tax basis, of the Partnership property in accordance with Treasury Regulations Section $1.704-2\,(d)\,(3)$.

Partner Nonrecourse Deductions: With respect to any partner nonrecourse debt (as such term is defined in Treasury Regulation Section 1.704-2(b)(4)), the increase in Partner Minimum Gain during the tax year plus any increase in Partner Minimum Gain for a prior tax year which has not previously generated a Partner Nonrecourse Deduction hereunder. The determination of which Partnership items constitute Partner Nonrecourse Deductions shall be made in a manner consistent with the manner in which Partnership Nonrecourse Deductions are determined hereunder.

Partners: The General Partner, the Preferred Limited Partners and the Limited Partners as a group. The term "Partner" shall mean a General Partner, a Preferred Limited Partner or a Limited Partner. Such terms shall be deemed to include such other Persons who become Partners pursuant to the terms of this Agreement.

Partnership: The Delaware limited partnership referred to herein as CORPORATE OFFICE PROPERTIES, L.P., as such partnership may from time to time be constituted.

Partnership Assets: At any particular time, any assets or property (real or personal, tangible or intangible, choate or inchoate, fixed or contingent) owned by the Partnership.

Partnership Interest or Interest: As to any Partner, such Partner's ownership interest in the Partnership and including such Partner's right to distributions under this Agreement and any other rights or benefits which such Partner has in the Partnership, together with any and all obligations of such Person to comply with the terms and provisions of this Agreement. A Partnership Interest may be expressed as a number of Partnership Units or Preferred Units.

Partnership Minimum Gain: The aggregate gain (regardless of character) which would be realized by the Partnership if all of the property of the Partnership subject to nonrecourse debt (other than partner nonrecourse debt as such term is defined in Treasury Regulations Section 1.704-2(b)(4)) were disposed of in full satisfaction of such debt and for no other consideration on the relevant date. In the case of any Nonrecourse Liability of the Partnership which is not secured by a mortgage with respect to any specific property of the Partnership, any and all property of the Partnership to which the holder of said liability has recourse shall be treated as subject to such Nonrecourse Liability for purposes of the preceding sentence. Partnership Minimum Gain shall be computed separately for each Nonrecourse Liability of the Partnership. For this purpose, the adjusted basis of property subject to two

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or more liabilities of equal priority shall be allocated among such liabilities in proportion to the outstanding balance of such liabilities, and the adjusted basis of property subject to two or more liabilities of unequal priority shall be allocated to the liability of inferior priority only to the extent of the excess, if any, of the adjusted basis of such property over the outstanding balance of the liability of superior priority. Partnership Minimum Gain shall be computed hereunder using the Book Value, rather than the adjusted tax basis, of the Partnership property in accordance with Treasury Regulations Section 1.704-2(d)(3).

Partnership Nonrecourse Deductions: The amount of Partnership deductions equal to the increase, if any, in the amount of the aggregate Partnership Minimum Gain during the tax year (plus any increase in Partnership Minimum Gain for a prior tax year which has not previously generated a Partnership Nonrecourse Deduction) reduced (but not below zero) by the aggregate distributions made during the tax year of the proceeds of a Nonrecourse Liability of the Partnership which are attributable to an increase in Partnership Minimum Gain within the meaning of Treasury Regulations Section 1.704-2(d). The Partnership Nonrecourse Deductions for a Partnership tax year shall consist first of depreciation or cost recovery deductions with respect to each property of the Partnership giving rise to such increase in Partnership Minimum Gain on a pro rata basis to the extent of each such increase, with any excess made up pro rata of all items of deduction.

Partnership Unit: A fractional, undivided share of the Partnership Interests of all Partners (other than the Preferred Limited Partners) issued pursuant to Section 4.1 hereof.

Percentage Interest: As to any Partner (other than the Preferred Limited Partners), the percentage in the Partnership, as determined by dividing the Partnership Units then owned by such Partner by the total number of Partnership Units then outstanding, as the same may be automatically adjusted from time to time to reflect the issuance and redemption of Partnership Units in accordance with this Agreement, without requiring the amendment of Exhibit 1 to reflect any such issuance or redemption.

Person: Any individual, partnership, limited liability company, corporation, trust or other entity.

Preferred Conversion: As described in Section 9.8 hereof.

Preferred Limited Partner: Those Persons listed as such on Exhibit 1 attached hereto and made a part hereof, as such Exhibit 1 may be amended from time to time, in their capacity as limited partners in the Partnership holding Preferred Units, including any Person who becomes a Substituted Preferred Limited Partner or an Additional Preferred Limited Partner in accordance with the terms of this Agreement.

 $\qquad \qquad \text{Preferred Unit: The Partnership Interest held by a} \\ \text{Preferred Limited Partner that is a preferred limited partner interest in the Partnership.} \\$

Priority Return Amount: For each Distribution Period, an amount equal to 1.625% of that portion of the Capital Contribution of the Preferred Limited Partner allocable to each Preferred Unit held by such Preferred Limited Partner.

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Profits and Losses: For each Fiscal Year or other period, an amount equal to the Partnership's taxable income or loss (as the case may be) for such year or period, determined in accordance with Code Section 703(a) (for this purpose, all items of income, gain, loss or deduction required to be stated separately pursuant to Code Section 703(a)(1) shall be included in taxable income or loss), with the following adjustments:

- (i) Any income of the Partnership that is exempt from federal income tax and not otherwise taken into account in computing Profits or Losses pursuant to this definition shall be added to such taxable income or loss:
 - (ii) Any expenditures of the Partnership described in Code Section 705(a)(2)(B) or treated as Code Section 705(a)(2)(B) expenditures pursuant to Treasury Regulations Section 1.704-1(b)(2)(iv)(i), and not otherwise taken into account in computing Profits or Losses pursuant to this definition, shall be subtracted from such taxable income or loss:
 - (iii) Gain or loss resulting from any disposition of Partnership property with respect to which gain or loss is recognized for federal income tax purposes shall be computed by reference to the Book Value of the property disposed of notwithstanding that the adjusted tax basis of such property differs from such Book Value;
 - (iv) In lieu of the depreciation, amortization, and other cost recovery deductions taken into account in computing such taxable income or loss, there shall be taken into account Depreciation for such Fiscal Year or other period, computed in accordance with the definition of "Depreciation" herein; and
 - (v) In the event that any item of income, gain, loss or deduction that has been included in the initial computation of Profit or Loss is subject to the special allocation rules of Sections 5.2(C) and 5.2(D), Profit or Loss shall be recomputed without regard to such item.

Recourse Liabilities: The amount of liabilities owed by the Partnership (other than nonrecourse liabilities and liabilities to which Partner Nonrecourse Deductions are attributable in accordance with Treasury Regulations Section 1.704-2(i)).

Redeeming Party: A Limited Partner or Assignee (other than the General Partner) who tenders Partnership Units for redemption pursuant to a Redemption Notice.

 $$\operatorname{\textbf{Redemption}}$$ Date: The date for redemption of Partnership Units as set forth in Section 9.2.

Redemption Notice: A Notice to the General Partner by a

Redeeming Party, substantially in the form attached as Exhibit 2, pursuant to which the Redeeming Party requests the redemption of Partnership Units in accordance with Article IX.

Redemption Obligation: The obligation of the Partnership to redeem the Partnership Units as set forth in Section 9.1 (A).

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Redemption Period: The 45-day period immediately following the filing with the SEC by the General Partner of an annual report of the General Partner on Form 10-K or a quarterly report of the General Partner on Form 10-Q or such other period or periods as the General Partner may otherwise determine fom time to time.

Redemption Price: As defined in Section 9.3 hereof.

Redemption Restriction: A restriction on the ability of the Partnership to redeem the Partnership Units as set forth in Section 9. 1 (A).

Registration Rights Agreement: An Amended and Restated Registration Rights Agreement, substantially in the form of Exhibit 3 hereto, pursuant to which COPT will agree, among other things, to register under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, REIT Shares issued in connection with Share Payments made under Article IX hereof.

 $$\operatorname{\textsc{REIT}}\colon$}$ A real estate investment trust, as defined in Code Section 856.

REIT Charter: The Amended and Restated Declaration of Trust of COPT filed with the State Department of Assessments and Taxation of Maryland on March 3, 1998, as the same may have heretofore or may hereafter be amended or restated and in effect from time to time.

REIT Share: A common share of beneficial interest representing an ownership interest in the General Partner.

REIT Share Rights: Rights to acquire additional REIT Shares issued to all holders of REIT Shares, whether in the form of rights, options, warrants or convertible or exchangeable securities, to the extent the same have been issued without additional consideration after the initial acquisition of such REIT Shares.

SEC: The Securities and Exchange Commission.

Share Payment: The payment to a Redeeming Party of a number of REIT Shares determined by multiplying (i) the number of Partnership Units tendered for redemption by such Redeeming Party pursuant to a validly proffered Redemption Notice by (ii) the Conversion Factor. In the event the General Partner grants any REIT Share Rights on or after the date of this Agreement and prior to such payment, any Share Payment shall include for the Redeeming Party such Redeeming Party's ratable share of such REIT Share Rights other than REIT Share Rights which have expired.

Subsidiary: With respect to any Person, any corporation or other entity of which a majority of (i) the voting power of the voting equity securities or (ii) the outstanding equity interests is owned, directly or indirectly, by such Person.

Substituted Limited Partner/Preferred Limited Partner: That Person or those Persons admitted to the Partnership as a substitute Limited Partner or substitute Preferred Limited Partner, in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement, in such Person's capacity as a limited

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partner of the Partnership. A Substituted Limited Partner or Substituted Preferred Limited Partner, upon admission as such, shall succeed to the rights, privileges and liabilities of the predecessor in interest as a Limited Partner or Preferred Limited Partner.

Successor General Partner: Any Person who is admitted to the Partnership as substitute General Partner pursuant to this Agreement, it its capacity as a general partner of the Partnership. A Successor General Partner, upon its admission as such, shall succeed to the rights, privileges and liabilities of its predecessor in interest as General Partner, in accordance with the provisions of the Act.

 $\hbox{Tax Matters Partner: The General Partner or such other Partner who becomes Tax Matters Partner pursuant to the terms of this $$ Agreement. $$

Terminating Capital Transaction: The sale or other disposition of all or substantially all of the Partnership Assets or a related series of transactions that, taken together, result in the sale or other disposition of all or substantially all of the Partnership Assets.

Transfer: With respect to any Partnership Interest shall mean a transaction in which a Partner assigns his Partnership Interest to another Person and includes any sale, assignment, gift, exchange or other disposition by law or otherwise; provided, however, the redemption of any Partnership Interest pursuant to Article IX hereof shall not constitute a "transfer" for purposes hereof.

 $$\operatorname{\textsc{Treasury}}$$ Regulations: The Income Tax Regulations promulgated under the Code, as such regulations may be amended from time to time.

Unit Value: With respect to any Partnership Unit, the average of the daily market price for a REIT Share for the ten (10) consecutive trading days immediately preceding the date of receipt of a Redemption Notice by the General Partner multiplied by the Conversion Factor. If the REIT Shares are traded on a securities exchange or the NASDAQ Small Cap Market or National Market System, the market price for each such trading day shall be the reported last sale price on such day or, if no sales take place on such day, the average of the closing bid and asked prices on such day. If the REIT Shares are not traded on a securities exchange or the NASDAQ Small Cap Market or National Market System, the market price for each such trading day shall be determined by the General Partner using any reasonable method of valuation. If a Share Payment would include any REIT Share Rights, the value of such REIT Share Rights shall be determined by the General Partner using any reasonable method of valuation, taking into account the Unit Value determined hereunder and the factors used to make such determination and the value of such REIT Share Rights shall be included in the Unit Value.

SECTION 1.2 Rules of Construction. The following rules of construction shall apply to this Agreement:

 $\,$ (A) All section headings in this Agreement are for convenience of reference only and are not intended to qualify the meaning of any section.

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- (B) All personal pronouns used in this Agreement, whether used in the masculine, feminine or neuter gender, shall include all other genders, the singular shall include the plural, and vice versa, as the context may require.
- (C) Each provision of this Agreement shall be considered severable from the rest, and if any provision of this Agreement or its application to any Person or circumstances shall be held invalid and contrary to any existing or future law or unenforceable to any extent, the remainder of this Agreement and the application of any other provision to any Person or circumstances shall not be affected thereby and shall be interpreted and enforced to the greatest extent permitted by law so as to give effect to the original intent of the parties hereto.
- (D) Unless otherwise specifically and expressly limited in the context, any reference herein to a decision, determination, act, action, exercise of a right, power or privilege, or other procedure by the General Partner shall mean and refer to the decision, determination, act, action, exercise or other procedure by the General Partner in its sole and absolute discretion.

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ARTICLE II - CONTINUATION

SECTION 2.1 Continuation. The Partners hereby continue the Partnership as a limited partnership under the Act and the Persons listed on Exhibit I as Partners shall continue as Partners in the Partnership. The General Partner shall take all action required by law to perfect and maintain the Partnership as a limited partnership under the Act and under the laws of all other jurisdictions in which the Partnership may elect to conduct business, including but not limited to the filing of amendments to the Certificate with the Delaware Secretary of State, and qualification of the Partnership as a foreign limited partnership in the jurisdictions in which such qualification shall be required, as determined by the General Partner. The General Partner shall also promptly register the Partnership under applicable assumed or fictitious name statutes or similar laws.

SECTION 2.2 Name. The name of the Partnership is CORPORATE OFFICE PROPERTIES, L.P. The General Partner may adopt such assumed

or fictitious names as it deems appropriate in connection with the qualifications and registrations referred to in Section 2.1.

SECTION 2.3 Place of Business; Registered Office; Registered Agent. The principal office of the Partnership is located at One Logan Square, Suite 1105, Philadelphia, PA 19103, which office may be changed to such other place as the General Partner may from time to time designate. The Partnership may establish offices for the Partnership within or without the State of Delaware as may be determined by the General Partner. The address of the Partnership's initial registered office and the initial registered agent for the Partnership in the State of Delaware is The Corporation Trust Company, whose address is c/o Corporation Trust Center, 1209 Orange Street, Wilmington, Delaware 19801. The Partnership's registered office and agent may be changed by the General Partner.

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ARTICLE III - BUSINESS PURPOSE

SECTION 3.1 Business. The business of the Partnership shall be (i) conducting any business that may be lawfully conducted by a limited partnership pursuant to the Act including, without limitation, acquiring, owning, managing, developing, leasing, marketing, operating and, if and when appropriate, selling, commercial, industrial, office and net leased retail properties, (ii) entering into any partnership, joint venture or other relationship to engage in any of the foregoing or the ownership of interests in any entity engaged in any of the foregoing, (iii) making loans, guarantees, indemnities or other financial accommodations and borrowing money and pledging its assets to secure the repayment thereof, (iv) to do any of the foregoing with respect to any Affiliate or Subsidiary and (v) doing anything necessary or incidental to the foregoing; provided, however, that business of the Partnership shall be limited so as to permit the General Partner to elect and maintain its status as a REIT (unless the General Partner determines no longer to qualify as a REIT).

SECTION 3.2 Authorized Activities. In carrying out the purposes of the Partnership, but subject to all other provisions of this Agreement, the Partnership is authorized to engage in any kind of lawful activity, and perform and carry out contracts of any kind, necessary or advisable in connection with the accomplishment of the purposes and business of the Partnership described herein and for the protection and benefit of the Partnership; provided that the General Partner shall not be obligated to cause the Partnership to take, or refraining from taking, any action which, in the judgment of the General Partner, (i) could adversely affect the ability of the General Partner to qualify and continue to qualify as a REIT, (ii) could subject the General Partner to additional taxes under Code Section 857 or 4981 or (iii) could violate any law or regulation of any governmental body or agency having jurisdiction over the General Partner or its securities.

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ARTICLE IV - CAPITAL CONTRIBUTION

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SECTION 4.1 Capital Contributions.

(A) Upon the contribution to the Partnership of property in accordance with a Contribution Agreement, Partnership Units and/or Preferred Units shall be issued in accordance with, and as contemplated by, such Contribution Agreement, and the Persons receiving such Partnership Units and/or Preferred Units shall become Partners and shall be deemed to have made a Capital Contribution as set forth on Exhibit 1. The Capital Contribution made by each Partner contributing assets to the Partnership under the Formation Agreement shall be determined by multiplying the number of Partnership Units issued to such Partner by \$5.50 and by multiplying the number of Preferred Units issued to such Partner by \$25.00. Exhibit I also sets forth the number of Partnership Units and Preferred Units owned by each Partner and the Percentage Interest of each Partner as of October 14,

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1997, which Percentage Interest shall be adjusted from time to time by the General Partner to reflect the issuance of additional Partnership Units and/or Preferred Units, the redemption of Partnership Units, the conversion of Preferred Units into Partnership Units, additional Capital Contributions and similar events having an effect on a Partner's Percentage Interest. Except as set forth in Section 4.2 (regarding issuance of additional Partnership Units) or Section 7.6 (regarding withholding obligations) of the

Act, no Partner shall be required under any circumstances to contribute to the capital of the Partnership any amount beyond that sum required pursuant to this Article IV.

(B) Anything in the foregoing Section 4. 1 (A) or elsewhere in this Agreement notwithstanding, the Partnership Units held by the General Partner shall, at all times, be deemed to be general partner interests in the Partnership and shall constitute the General Partner Interests.

SECTION 4.2 Additional Partnership Interests.

- (A) The Partnership may issue additional limited partnership interests in the form of Partnership Units or Preferred Units for any Partnership purpose at any time or from time to time to any Partner or other Person (other than the General Partner, except in accordance with Section 4.2(B) below).
- (B) The Partnership also may from time to time issue to the General Partner additional Partnership Interests in such classes and having such designations, preferences and relative rights (including preferences and rights senior to the existing Limited Partner Interests) as shall be determined by the General Partner in accordance with the Act and governing law. Except as provided in Article IX, any such issuance of Partnership Units, Preferred Units or Partnership Interests to the General Partner shall be conditioned upon (i) the undertaking by the General Partner of a related issuance of its capital stock (with such shares having designations, rights and preferences such that the economic rights of the holders of such capital stock are substantially similar to the rights of the additional Partnership Interests issued to the General Partner) and the General Partner making a Capital Contribution (a) in an amount equal to the net proceeds raised in the issuance of such capital stock, in the event such capital stock is sold for cash or cash equivalents or (b) the property received in consideration for such capital stock, in the event such capital stock is issued in consideration for other property or (ii) the issuance by the General Partner of capital stock under any stock option or bonus plan and the General Partner making a Capital Contribution in an amount equal to the exercise price of the option exercised pursuant to such stock option or other bonus plan.
- (C) Except as contemplated by Article IX (regarding redemptions) or Section 4.2(B), the General Partner shall not issue any (i) additional REIT Shares, (ii) rights, options or warrants containing the right to subscribe for or purchase REIT Shares (other than options granted under the General Partner's Stock Option Plan for Non-Employee Directors, 1998 Long Term Incentive Plan or any stock option or similar plan for officers, directors and employees of the General Partner or any of its Affiliates) or (iii) securities convertible or exchangeable

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into REIT Shares (collectively, "Additional REIT Securities") other than to all holders of REIT Shares, pro rata, unless (x) the Partnership issues to the General Partner (i) Partnership Interests, (ii) rights, options or warrants containing the right to subscribe for or purchase Partnership Interests or (iii) securities convertible or exchangeable into Partnership Interests such that the General Partner receives an economic interest in the Partnership substantially similar to the economic interest in the General Partner represented by the Additional REIT Securities and (y) the General Partner contributes to the Partnership the net proceeds from, or the property received in consideration for, the issuance of the Additional REIT Securities and the exercise of any rights contained in any Additional REIT Securities.

SECTION 4.3 No Third Party Beneficiaries. The provisions of this Agreement, including the foregoing provisions of this Article IV, are not intended to be for the benefit of any creditor of the Partnership or other Person to whom any debts, liabilities or obligations are owed by (or who otherwise has any claim against) the Partnership or any of the Partners and no such creditor or other Person shall obtain any right under any such provision against the Partnership or any of the Partners by reason of any debt, liability or obligation (or otherwise).

SECTION 4.4 Capital Accounts.

- (A) The Partnership shall establish and maintain a separate Capital Account for each Partner in accordance with Code Section 704 and Treasury Regulations Section 1.7041(b)(2)(iv). The Capital Account of each Partner shall be credited with:
 - (1) the amount of all Capital Contributions made to the Partnership by such Partner in accordance with this Agreement; plus
 - (2) all income and gain of the Partnership computed in

accordance with this Section 4.4 and allocated to such Partner pursuant to Article V (including for purposes of this Section 4.4 (A), income and gain exempt from tax);

and shall be debited with the sum of:

- (1) all losses or deductions of the Partnership computed in accordance with this Section 4.4 and allocated to such Partner pursuant to Article V:
- (2) such Partner's distributive share of expenditures of the Partnership described in Code Section 705(a)(2)(B); and
- (3) all cash and the Agreed Value (reduced to take into account the amount of any related indebtedness assumed by the Partner, or to which the distributed property is subject) of any property actually distributed or deemed distributed by the Partnership to such Partner pursuant to the terms of this Agreement.

Any reference in any section or subsection of this Agreement to the Capital Account of a Partner shall be deemed to refer to such Capital Account as the same may be credited or debited from time to time as set forth above.

(B) For purposes of computing the amount of any item of income, gain, deduction or loss to be reflected in the Partners' Capital Accounts, the determination, recognition and classi-

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fication of each such item shall be the same as its determination, recognition and classification for federal income tax purposes, determined in accordance with Code Section 703(a), with the following adjustments:

- (1) any income, gain or loss attributable to the taxable disposition of any Partnership Asset shall be determined by treating the adjusted basis of such property as of the date of such disposition as equal to the Book Value of such property as of such date;
- (2) the computation of all items of income, gain, loss and deduction shall be made without regard to any Code Section 754 election that may be made by the Partnership, except to the extent required in accordance with the provisions of Treasury Regulations Section 1.7041(b)(2)(iv)(m);
- $\hbox{(3)} \quad \hbox{in lieu of depreciation, amortization and other cost} \\ \hbox{recovery deductions taken into account in computing Profit and Loss, there} \\ \hbox{shall be taken into account Depreciation for such Fiscal Year; and} \\$
- (4) in the event the Book Value of any Partnership Asset is adjusted pursuant to Section 4.4(D) below, the amount of such adjustment shall be treated as gain or loss from the disposition of such asset.
- (C) Any transferee of a Partnership Interest shall succeed to a pro rata portion of the transferor's Capital Account transferred unless such Transfer causes a Code Section 708 termination of the Partnership, in which case the Book Value of all Partnership Assets shall be adjusted immediately prior to the deemed distribution pursuant thereto as provided in Section $4.4\,(\mathrm{D})$.
- (D) Consistent with the provisions of Treasury Regulations Section 1.7041 (b) (2) (iv) (f), (i) immediately prior to the acquisition of an additional Partnership Interest by any new or existing Partner in connection with the contribution of money or other property (other than a de minimis amount) to the Partnership, (ii) immediately prior to the distribution by the Partnership to a Partner of Partnership property (other than a de minimis amount) as consideration for a Partnership Interest and (iii) immediately prior to the liquidation of the Partnership as defined in Treasury Regulations Section 1.704-1(b) (2) (ii) (g), the Book Value of all Partnership Assets shall be revalued upward or downward to reflect the fair market value of each such Partnership Asset as determined by the General Partner using such reasonable method of valuation as it may adopt unless the General Partner shall determine that such revaluation is not necessary to maintain Capital Accounts in accordance with Treasury Regulations Section 1.704-1(b) (2) (iv).
- (E) The foregoing provisions of this Section 4.4 are intended to comply with Treasury Regulations Section 1.704-1(b) and shall be interpreted and applied in a manner consistent with such Treasury Regulations. In the event the General Partner shall determine that it is prudent to modify the manner in which the Partners' Capital Accounts are computed hereunder in order to comply with such Treasury Regulations, the General Partner may make such modification if such modification is not likely to have a material effect on the amount or timing of any distribution to any

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under the terms of this Agreement and the General Partner notifies the other Partners in writing of such modification prior to making such modification.

SECTION 4.5 Return of Capital Account; Interest. Except as otherwise specifically provided in this Agreement, (i) no Partner shall have any right to withdraw or reduce its Capital Contributions or Capital Account, or to demand and receive property other than cash from the Partnership in return for its Capital Contributions or Capital Account; (ii) no Partner shall have any priority over any other Partners as to the return of its Capital Contributions or Capital Account; (iii) any return of Capital Contributions or Capital Accounts to the Partners shall be solely from the Partnership Assets, and no Partner shall be personally liable for any such return; and (iv) no interest shall be paid by the Partnership on Capital Contributions or on balances in Partners' Capital Accounts.

SECTION 4.6 Preemptive Rights. No Person shall have any preemptive or similar rights with respect to the issuance or sale of additional Partnership Units or Preferred Units.

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ARTICLE V - ALLOCATIONS AND DISTRIBUTIONS

SECTION 5.1 Limited Liability. For bookkeeping purposes, the Profits of the Partnership shall be shared, and the Losses of the Partnership shall be borne, by the Partners as provided in Section 5.2 below; provided, however, that except as required by the Act or as expressly provided in this Agreement, neither any Limited Partner (in its capacity as a Limited Partner) nor any Preferred Limited Partner (in its capacity as a Preferred Limited Partner) shall be personally liable for losses, costs, expenses, liabilities or obligations of the Partnership in excess of its Capital Contribution required under Article IV hereof.

SECTION 5.2 Profits, Losses and Distributive Shares.

- (A) Profits. After giving effect to the special allocations, if any, provided in Section $5.2\,(\text{C})$ and (D), Profits in each Fiscal Year shall be allocated in the following order:
- (1) First, to the General Partner until the cumulative Profits allocated to the General Partner under this Section 5.2(A)(1) equal the cumulative Losses allocated to such Partner under Section 5.2(B)(4);
- (2) Second, to the Preferred Limited Partners in the proportion to the cumulative Losses allocated to such Partners under Section $5.2\,(B)\,(3)$, until the cumulative Profits allocated to such Partners under this Section $5.2\,(A)\,(2)$ equal the cumulative Losses allocated to such Partners under Section $5.2\,(B)\,(3)$;

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- (3) Third, to each Partner in proportion to the cumulative Losses allocated to such Partner under Section 5.2(B)(2), until the cumulative Profits allocated to such Partner under this Section 5.2(A)(3) equal the cumulative Losses allocated to such Partner under Section 5.2(B)(2);
- (4) Fourth, to each Partner in proportion to the cumulative Losses allocated to such Partner under Section 5.2(B)(1), until the cumulative Profits allocated to such Partner under this Section 5.2(A)(4) equal the cumulative Losses allocated to such Partner under Section 5.2(B)(1);
- (5) Fifth, to the Preferred Limited Partners in an amount equal to the excess of (x) the Priority Return Amount for each Distribution Period or portion thereof that ends on or prior to the close of the Fiscal Year over (y) the cumulative Profits previously allocated under this Section 5.2(B)(5); and
- (6) Then, the balance, if any, to the Partners (other than the Preferred Limited Partners, with respect to their Preferred Units) in accordance with their respective Percentage Interests.

The allocation of Profits to any Preferred Limited Partner under Section $5.2\,(A)\,(5)$ shall be appropriately prorated in the case of Preferred Units that are outstanding for less than all of any Distribution Period.

(B) Losses. After giving effect to the special allocations, if any, provided in Section 5.2(C) and (D), Losses in each Fiscal Year shall

- (1) First, to the Partners (other than the Preferred Limited Partners, with respect to their Preferred Units), in accordance with their respective Percentage Interests, but not in excess of the positive Capital Account balance of any Partner prior to the allocation provided for in this Section $5.2\,(\mathrm{B})\,(1)$;
- (2) Second, to the Partners (other than the Preferred Limited Partners, with respect to their Preferred Units) with positive Adjusted Capital Account balances prior to the allocation provided for in this Section 5.2(B)(2), in proportion to the amount of such balances until all such balances are reduced to zero;
- (3) Third, to the Preferred Limited Partners in proportion to their Adjusted Capital Account balances until their Adjusted Capital Accounts are reduced to zero; and
 - (4) Thereafter, to the General Partner;

provided, however, that this Section 5.2(B) shall control, notwithstanding any reallocation or adjustment of taxable income, loss or other items by the Internal Revenue Service or any other taxing authority.

- (1) Partnership Minimum Gain Chargeback. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Article V, if there is a net decrease in Partnership Minimum Gain during any tax year or other period for which allocations are made, each Partner will be specially allocated items of Partnership income and gain for that tax year or other period (and, if necessary, subsequent periods) in an amount equal to such Partner's share of the net decrease in Partnership Minimum Gain during such tax year or other period determined in accordance with Treasury Regulations Section 1.7042(g). Allocations pursuant to the preceding sentence shall be made in proportion to the respective amounts required to be allocated to each Partner pursuant thereto. The items to be so allocated shall be determined in accordance with Treasury Regulations Sections 1.704-2(f)(6) and 1.704-2(f)(2). This Section 5.2(C)(1)is intended to comply with the minimum gain chargeback requirements set forth in Treasury Regulations Section 1.704-2(f) and shall be interpreted consistently therewith, including the exceptions to the minimum gain chargeback requirement set forth in Treasury Regulations Section 1.704-2(f) and (3). If the General Partner concludes, after consultation with tax counsel, that the Partnership meets the requirements for a waiver of the minimum qain chargeback requirement as set forth in Treasury Regulations Section 1.704-2(f)(4), the General Partner may take steps reasonably necessary or appropriate in order to obtain such waiver.
- (2) Partner Nonrecourse Debt Minimum Gain Chargeback. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Section (other than Section 5.2(C)(1) which shall be applied before this Section 5.2(C)(2), if there is a net decrease in Partner Minimum Gain during any tax year or other period for which allocations are made, each Partner with a share of Partner Minimum Gain determined in accordance with Treasury Regulations Section 1.704-2(i)(5) shall be specially allocated items of Partnership income and gain for that period (and, if necessary, subsequent periods) in an amount equal to such Partner's share of the net decrease in Partner Minimum Gain determined in accordance with Treasury Regulations Section 1.704-2(i)(4). The items to be so allocated shall be determined in accordance with Treasury Regulations Sections 1.704-2(i)(4) and 1.704-2(j)(2)(ii). This Section 5.2(C)(2) is intended to comply with the minimum gain chargeback requirements of Treasury Regulations Section 1.704-2(i)(4) and shall be interpreted consistently therewith, including the exceptions set forth in Treasury Regulations Section 1.704-2(f)(2) and (3) to the extent such exceptions apply to Treasury Regulations Sections 1.704-2(i)(4). If the General Partner concludes, after consultation with tax counsel, that the Partnership meets the requirements for a waiver of the Partner Minimum Gain chargeback requirement set forth in Treasury Regulation 1.704-2(f), but only to the extent such exception applies to Treasury Regulations Section 1.704-2(i)(4), the General Partner may take steps necessary or appropriate to obtain such waiver.
- (3) Qualified Income Offset. A Partner who unexpectedly receives any adjustment, allocation or distribution described in Treasury Regulations Section 1.704-1(b)(2)(ii)(d)(4), (5) or (6) will be specially allocated items of Partnership income and gain in an amount and manner sufficient to eliminate, to the extent required by Treasury Regulations 1.704-1(b)(2)(ii)(d), the Adjusted Capital Account Deficit of the Partner as quickly as possible; provided that an allocation pursuant to this Section 5.2(C)(3) shall be made if and only to the extent that such Partner would have an Adjusted Capital Account Deficit after all other allocations provided

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- (4) Partnership Nonrecourse Deductions. Partnership Nonrecourse Deductions for any taxable year or other period for which allocations are made will be allocated among the Partners in proportion to their respective Partnership Interests in the Partnership.
- (5) Partner Nonrecourse Deductions. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Agreement, any Partner Nonrecourse Deductions for any taxable year or other period for which allocations are made will be allocated to the Partner who bears the economic risk of loss with respect to the liability to which the Partner Nonrecourse Deductions are attributable in accordance with Treasury Regulations Section 1.704-2(i).
- (6) Code Section 754 Adjustments. To the extent an adjustment to the adjusted tax basis of any Partnership asset under Code Section 734(b) or 743(b) is required to be taken into account in determining Capital Accounts under Treasury Regulations Section 1.704-1(b)(2)(iv)(m)(2) or (4), the amount of the adjustment to the Capital Accounts will be treated as an item of gain (if the adjustment increases the basis of the asset) or loss (if the adjustment decreases the basis of the asset), and the gain or loss will be specially allocated to the Partners in a manner consistent with the manner in which their Capital Accounts are required to be adjusted under Treasury Regulations Section 1.704-1(b)(2)(iv)(m).
- (7) Depreciation Recapture. In the event there is any recapture of Depreciation or investment tax credit, the allocation thereof shall be made among the Partners in the same proportion as the deduction for such Depreciation or investment tax credit was allocated.
- (8) Interest in Partnership. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, no allocation of Profit or Loss (or item of Profit or Loss) will be made to a Partner if the allocation would not have "economic effect" under Treasury Regulations Section 1.704-1(b)(2)(ii)(a) or otherwise would not be in accordance with the Partner's interest in the Partnership within the meaning of Treasury Regulations Section 1.704-1(b)(3).
- (D) Curative Allocations. The allocations set forth in Section 5.2(C)(1) through (8) (the "Regulatory Allocations") are intended to comply with certain requirements of Treasury Regulations Sections 1.704-1(b) and 1.704-2. The Regulatory Allocations may not be consistent with the manner in which the Partners intend to divide Partnership distributions. Accordingly, the General Partner is authorized to further allocate Profits, Losses, and other items among the Partners in a reasonable manner so as to prevent the Regulatory Allocations from distorting the manner in which Partnership distributions would be divided among the Partners under Section 5.3, but for application of the Regulatory Allocations. In general, the reallocation will be accomplished by specially allocating other Profits, Losses and items of income, gain, loss and deduction, to the extent they exist, among the Partners so that the net amount of the Regulatory Allocations and the special allocations to each Partner is zero. The General Partner may accomplish this result in any reasonable manner that is consistent with Code Section 704 and the related Treasury Regulations.
 - (E) Tax Allocations.

- (1) Except as otherwise provided in Section 5.2(E)(2), each item of income, gain, loss and deduction shall be allocated for federal income tax purposes in the same manner as each correlative item of income, gain, loss or deduction, is allocated for book purposes pursuant to the provisions of Section 5.2 hereof.
- (2) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Article V, in an attempt to eliminate any Book-Tax Disparity with respect to a Contributed Property, items of income, gain, loss or deduction with respect to each such property shall be allocated for federal income tax purposes among the Partners as follows:
 - (a) Depreciation, Amortization and Other Cost Recovery Items. In the case of each Contributed Property with a Book-Tax Disparity, any item of depreciation, amortization or other cost recovery allowance attributable to such property shall be allocated as follows: (x) first, to Partners (the "Non-Contributing Partners") other than the Partners who contributed such property to the Partnership (or are deemed to have contributed the property pursuant to Section 4.1(A) (the "Contributing Partners") in an amount up to the book allocation of such items made to the Non-Contributing Partners pursuant to

Section 5.2 hereof, pro rata in proportion to the respective amount of book items so allocated to the Non-Contributing Partners pursuant to Section 5.2 hereof; and (y) any remaining depreciation, amortization or other cost recovery allowance to the Contributing Partners in proportion to their Percentage Interests. In no event shall the total depreciation, amortization or other cost recovery allowance allocated hereunder exceed the amount of the Partnership's depreciation, amortization or other cost recovery allowance with respect to such property.

- (b) Gain or Loss on Disposition. In the event the Partnership sells or otherwise disposes of a Contributed Property with a Book-Tax Disparity, any gain or loss recognized by the Partnership in connection with such sale or other disposition shall be allocated among the Partners as follows: (x) first, any gain or loss shall be allocated to the Contributing Partners in proportion to their Percentage Interests to the extent required to eliminate any Book-Tax Disparity with respect to such property; and (y) any remaining gain or loss shall be allocated among the Partners in the same manner that the correlative items of book gain or loss are allocated among the Partners pursuant to Section 5.2 hereof.
- (3) In the event the Book Value of a Partnership Asset (including a Contributed Property) is adjusted pursuant to Section $4.4\,(D)$ hereof, and such asset has not been deemed contributed to a new partnership, with the contributing partnership then being liquidated pursuant to Code Section 708 subsequent thereto, all items of income, gain, loss or deduction in respect of such property shall be allocated for federal income tax purposes among the Partners in the same manner as provided in Section $5.2\,(E)\,(2)$ hereof to take into account any variation between the fair market value of the property, as determined by the General Partner using such reasonable method of valuation as it may adopt, and the Book Value of such property, both determined as of the date of such adjustment.

- (4) The General Partner shall have the authority to elect alternative methods to eliminate the Book-Tax Disparity with respect to one or more Contributed Properties, as permitted by Treasury Regulations Sections 1.704-3 and 1.704-3T, and such election shall be binding on all of the Partners.
- (5) The Partners hereby intend that the allocation of tax items pursuant to this Section 5.2(E) comply with the requirements of Code Section 704(c) and Treasury Regulations Sections 1.704-3 and 1.704-3T.
- (6) The allocation of items of income, gain, loss or deduction pursuant to this Section 5.2(E) are solely for federal, state and local income tax purposes, and the Capital Account balances of the Partners shall be adjusted solely for allocations of "book" items in respect of Partnership Assets pursuant to Section 5.2(A), (B), (C), (D) and (F) hereof
- (F) Other Allocation Rules. The following rules will apply to the calculation and allocation of Profits, Losses and other items:
- (1) Except as otherwise provided in this Agreement, all Profits, Losses and other items allocated to the Partners will be allocated among them in proportion to their Percentage Interests.
- (2) For purposes of determining the Profits, Losses or any other item allocable to any period, Profits, Losses and other items will be determined on a daily, monthly or other basis, as determined by the General Partner using any permissible method under Code Section 706 and the related Treasury Regulations.
- (3) Except as otherwise provided in this Agreement, all items of Partnership income, gain, loss and deduction, and other allocations not provided for in this Agreement will be divided among the Partners in the same proportions as they share Profits and Losses; provided that any credits shall be allocated in accordance with Treasury Regulations Section 1.704-1 (b) (4) (ii).
- (4) For purposes of Treasury Regulations Section 1.752-3(a), the Partners hereby agree that any nonrecourse liabilities of the Partnership in excess of the sum of (i) the Partnership Minimum Gain and (ii) the aggregate amount of taxable gain that would be allocated to the Partners under Section 704(c) (or in the same manner as Section 704(c) in connection with a revaluation of Partnership property) if the Partnership disposed of (in a taxable transaction) all Partnership property subject to one or more nonrecourse liabilities of the Partnership in full satisfaction of such liabilities and for no other consideration, shall be allocated among the Partners in accordance with their respective shares of Profits. The General

Partner shall have discretion in any Fiscal Year to allocate such excess nonrecourse liabilities among the Partners (a) in a manner reasonably consistent with allocations (that have substantial economic effect) of some other significant item of Partnership income or gain or (b) in accordance with the manner in which it is reasonably expected that the deductions attributable to the excess nonrecourse liabilities will be allocated.

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- (G) Partner Acknowledgment. The Partners agree to be bound by the provisions of this Section 5.2 in reporting their shares of Partnership income, gain, loss, deduction and credit for income tax purposes.
- (H) Regulatory Compliance. The foregoing provisions of this Section 5.2 relating to the allocation of Profits, Losses and other items for federal income tax purposes are intended to comply with Treasury Regulations Sections 1.704-1 (b), 1.704-2, 1.704-3 and 1.704-3T and shall be interpreted and applied in a manner consistent with such Treasury Regulations.

SECTION 5.3 Distributions.

- (A) Distributable Cash for each Fiscal Year shall be distributed in the following order of priority:
- (1) First, the General Partner shall cause the Partnership to distribute to the holder of each Preferred Unit an amount in cash equal to the cumulative undistributed Priority Return Amount on December 31, March 31, June 30 and September 30 of each year, commencing on March 31, 1998 (or in the case of a Preferred Unit with an issuance date after March 31, 1998, on the first such distribution date following the applicable issuance date); provided that, if any such distribution date shall be a Saturday, Sunday or day on which banking institutions in the State of New York are authorized or obligated by law to close, or a day which is declared a national or New York State holiday (any of the foregoing, a "Non-business Day"), then such distribution shall be made on the next succeeding day which is not a Non-business Day. In any case in which a Preferred Unit is outstanding for less than all of one or more Distribution Periods, the amount distributable to the Preferred Limited Partner in respect of such Unit shall be appropriately adjusted on the basis of a 360 day year consisting of twelve 30 day months.
- (2) Second, there shall be distributed with respect to each Partnership Unit an amount equal on a per Unit basis to the amount (other than in REIT Shares) distributed by the General Partner on its common shares during the Fiscal Year (other than a liquidating distribution), except that the first distribution paid on Units issued on October 15, 1997 shall be pro rated to reflect the actual portion of the period for which the distribution is being paid during which such Units were outstanding. To the extent practicable, distributions under this paragraph shall be made at the same time as the dividend distributions on the General Partner's common shares.
- (3) Third, there shall be distributed to each holder of a Limited Partner Interest an amount equal to (x) the product of the taxable income and gain allocated to such holder for the Fiscal Year under Section 5.2(E) and the maximum federal income tax rate plus 7% reduced by (y) the distributions received by such holder under Section 5.3(A)(2) during the Fiscal Year. To the extent practicable, distributions under this paragraph shall be made in sufficient time to permit Limited Partners to pay required installments of estimated tax and the final tax payment for the taxable year.
- (B) After giving effect to Section $5.3\,(A)$, the General Partner shall have the authority to cause the Partnership to make other distributions from time to time as it determines, including without limitation, distributions that are sufficient to enable the General Partner to (i) maintain its

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status as a REIT, (ii) avoid the imposition of any tax under Code Section 857 and (iii) avoid the imposition of any excise tax under Code Section 4981.

- (C) Distributions pursuant to Section 5.3(B) shall be made pro rata among the Partners of record on the Record Date established by the General Partner for the distribution, in accordance with their respective Percentage Interests, without regard to the length of time the record holder has been such. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the General Partner may pro rate any distributions pursuant to Section 5.3(A)(2) appropriately in the case of Partnership Units that are outstanding for less than all of any Distribution Period.
- (D) The General Partner shall use its reasonable efforts to make distributions to the Partners so as to preclude any distribution or portion thereof from being treated as part of a sale of property to the Partnership by a Partner under Section 707 of the Code or the Treasury

Regulations thereunder; provided that the General Partner and the Partnership shall not have liability to a Limited Partner under any circumstances as a result of any distribution to a Partner being so treated.

SECTION 5.4 Distributions upon Liquidation. Notwithstanding any other provision hereof, proceeds of a Terminating Capital Transaction and other distributions following dissolution of the Partnership shall be distributed to the Partners in accordance with Section 10.2.

SECTION 5.5 Amounts Withheld. All amounts withheld pursuant to the Code or any provision of state or local tax law and Section 7.6 of this Agreement with respect to any allocation, payment or distribution to the General Partner, the Preferred Limited Partners, the Limited Partners or Assignees shall be treated as amounts distributed to such General Partner, the Preferred Limited Partners, the Limited Partners or Assignees, as applicable, pursuant to Section 5.3 of this Agreement.

SECTION 5.6 Restricted Distributions. Notwithstanding any provision to the contrary contained in this Agreement, the Partnership, and the General Partner on behalf of the Partnership, shall not make a distribution to a Partner on account of its interest in the Partnership if such distribution would violate Section 17-607 of the Act or other applicable

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ARTICLE VI - PARTNERSHIP MANAGEMENT

SECTION 6.1 Management and Control of Partnership

Business.

(A) Except as otherwise expressly provided or limited by the provisions of this Agreement, the General Partner shall have full, exclusive and complete discretion to manage the business and affairs of the Partnership, to make all decisions affecting the business and affairs of the Partnership and to take all such action as it deems necessary or appropriate to accomplish the purposes of the Partnership as set forth herein. Except as set forth in this Agreement, neither the Limited

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Partners nor the Preferred Limited Partners shall have any authority, right, or power to bind the Partnership, or to manage, or to participate in the management of the business and affairs of the Partnership in any manner whatsoever. Such management shall in every respect be the full and complete responsibility of the General Partner alone as herein provided.

- (B) In carrying out the purposes of the Partnership, the General Partner shall be authorized to take all actions it deems necessary and appropriate to carry on the business of the Partnership. The Limited Partners and the Preferred Limited Partners, by execution hereof, agree that the General Partner is authorized to execute, deliver and perform any agreement and/or transaction on behalf of the Partnership, without their further Consent, unless this Agreement expressly provides otherwise.
- (C) The General Partner and its Affiliates may acquire Limited Partner Interests or Preferred Units from Limited Partners or Preferred Limited Partners who agree so to transfer Limited Partner Interests or Preferred Units acquired from the Partnership in accordance with Section 4.2(A). Any Limited Partner Interest or Preferred Limited Partner Interest acquired by the General Partner shall be automatically converted into a General Partner Interest. Upon acquisition of any Limited Partner Interest or Preferred Limited Partner Interest by an Affiliate of the General Partner, such Affiliate shall have all the rights of a Limited Partner or Preferred Limited Partner, as the case may be.

 $$\operatorname{\mathtt{SECTION}}$ 6.2 No Management by Limited Partners; Limitation of Liability.

(A) Neither the Limited Partners, in their capacity as Limited Partners, nor the Preferred Limited Partners, in their capacity as Preferred Limited Partners, shall take part in the day-to-day management, operation or control of the business and affairs of the Partnership or have any right, power, or authority to act for or on behalf of or to bind the Partnership or transact any business in the name of the Partnership. Neither the Limited Partners, in their capacity as Limited Partners, nor the Preferred Limited Partners, in their capacity as Preferred Limited Partners, shall have any rights other than those specifically provided herein or granted by law where consistent with a valid provision hereof. Any approvals rendered or withheld by the Limited Partners or the Preferred Limited Partners pursuant to this Agreement shall be deemed as consultation with or advice to the General Partner in connection with the business of the

Partnership and, in accordance with the Act, shall not be deemed as participation by the Limited Partners or the Preferred Limited Partners in the business of the Partnership and are not intended to create any inference that the Limited Partners or the Preferred Limited Partners should be classified as general partners under the Act.

- (B) Neither any Limited Partner nor any Preferred Limited Partner shall have any liability under this Agreement except with respect to withholding under Section 7104 of the Code, in connection with any express provision of this Agreement by such Limited Partner or Preferred Limited Partner or as provided in the Act.
- (C) The General Partner shall not take any action which would subject a Limited Partner (in its capacity as Limited Partner) or a Preferred Limited Partner (in its capacity as a Preferred Limited Partner) to liability as a general partner.

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(D) No Partner shall take any action that would result in the Partnership being treated as an association taxable as a corporation, or as a corporation, for federal income tax purposes.

SECTION 6.3 Limitations on Partners.

- (A) No Partner or Affiliate of a Partner shall have any authority to perform (i) any act in violation of any applicable law or regulation thereunder, (ii) any act prohibited by Section 6.2(C), or (iii) any act which is required to be Consented to or ratified pursuant to this Agreement without such Consent or ratification.
- (B) No action shall be taken by a Partner if it would cause the Partnership to be treated as an association taxable as a corporation for federal income tax purposes or, without the consent of the General Partner, as a publicly-traded partnership within the meaning of Section 7.6 of the Code. A determination of whether such action will have the above described effect shall be based upon a declaratory judgment or similar relief obtained from a court of competent jurisdiction, a favorable ruling from the IRS or the receipt of a written opinion of counsel.

SECTION 6.4 Business with Affiliates.

- (A) The General Partner, in its discretion, may cause the Partnership to transact business with any Partner or its Affiliates for goods or services reasonably required in the conduct of the Partnership's business; provided that any such transaction shall be effected only on terms competitive with those that may be obtained in the marketplace from unaffiliated Persons. The foregoing proviso shall not apply to transactions between the Partnership and its Subsidiaries. In addition, neither the General Partner nor any Affiliate of the General Partner may sell, transfer or otherwise convey any property to, or purchase any property from, the Partnership, except (i) on terms competitive with those that may be obtained in the marketplace from unaffiliated Persons or (ii) where the General Partner determines, in its sole judgment, that such sale, transfer or conveyance confers benefits on the General Partner or the Partnership in respect of matters of tax or corporate or financial structure; provided, in the case of this clause (ii), such sale, transfer or conveyance is not being effected for the purpose of materially disadvantaging the Limited Partners.
- (B) In furtherance of Section $6.4\,(\text{A})$, the Partnership may lend or contribute to its Subsidiaries on terms and conditions established by the General Partner.

SECTION 6.5 Compensation; Reimbursement of Expenses. In consideration for the General Partner's services to the Partnership in its capacity as General Partner, the Partnership shall pay on behalf of or reimburse to the General Partner all expenses of the General Partner incurred in connection with the management of the business and affairs of the Partnership, including all employee compensation of employees of the General Partner related to services performed for the Partnership and indemnity or other payments made pursuant to agreements entered into in furtherance of the Partnership's business. Except as otherwise set forth in this Agreement, the General Partner shall be fully and entirely reimbursed by the Partnership for any and all direct and indirect costs and expenses incurred in connection with the formation and continuation of the Partnership pursuant to this

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Agreement. In addition, the General Partner shall be reimbursed by the Partnership for all expenses incurred by the General Partner in connection with issuance of additional Partnership Interests.

- (A) The General Partner shall not be liable, responsible or accountable in damages or otherwise to the Partnership or any of the other Partners for any act or omission performed or omitted in good faith on behalf of the Partnership and in a manner reasonably believed to be (i) within the scope of the authority granted by this Agreement and (ii) in the best interests of the Partnership or the shareholders of the General Partner. In exercising its authority hereunder, the General Partner may, but shall not be under any obligation to, take into account the tax consequences to any Partner of any action it undertakes on behalf of the Partnership. Neither the General Partner nor the Partnership shall have any liability as a result of any income tax liability incurred by a Partner as a result of any action or inaction of the General Partner hereunder in good faith and, by their execution of this Agreement, the Limited Partners and the Preferred Limited Partners acknowledge the foregoing.
- (B) Unless otherwise prohibited hereunder, the General Partner shall be entitled to exercise any of the powers granted to it and perform any of the duties required of it under this Agreement directly or through any agent. The General Partner shall not be responsible for any misconduct or negligence on the part of any agent; provided that the General Partner selected or appointed such agent in good faith.
- (C) The General Partner acknowledges that it owes fiduciary duties both to its shareholders and to the Limited Partners and the Preferred Limited Partners and it shall use its reasonable efforts to discharge such duties to each; provided, however, that in the event of a conflict between the interests of the shareholders of the General Partner and the interests of the Limited Partners or the Preferred Limited Partners, the Limited Partners and the Preferred Limited Partners agree that the General Partner shall discharge its fiduciary duties to the Limited Partners and the Preferred Limited Partners by acting in the best interests of the General Partner's shareholders. Nothing contained in the preceding sentence shall be construed as entitling the General Partner to realize any profit or gain from any transaction between the General Partner and the Partnership (except in connection with a distribution in accordance with this Agreement), including from the lending of money by the General Partner to the Partnership or the contribution of property by the General Partner to the Partnership, it being understood that in any such transaction the General Partner shall be entitled to cost recovery only.

The provisions of this Agreement, to the extent that they restrict the duties and liabilities of the General Partner otherwise existing at law or in equity, are agreed by the Partners to replace such other duties and liabilities of the General Partner.

SECTION 6.7 Indemnification.

(A) The Partnership shall indemnify the General Partner and each director, officer and shareholder of the General Partner and each Person (including any Affiliate) designated as an agent by the General Partner in its reasonable discretion (each, an "Indemnified Party") to the fullest

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extent permitted under the Act (including any procedures set forth therein regarding advancement of expenses to such Indemnified Party) from and against any and all losses, claims, damages, liabilities, expenses (including reasonable attorneys' fees), judgments, fines, settlements and any other amounts arising out of or in connection with any claims, demands, actions, suits or proceedings (civil, criminal or administrative) relating to or resulting (directly or indirectly) from the operations of the Partnership, in which such Indemnified Party becomes involved, or reasonably believes it may become involved, as a result of the capacity referred to above.

- (B) The Partnership shall have the authority to purchase and maintain such insurance policies on behalf of the Indemnified Parties as the General Partner shall determine, which policies may cover those liabilities the General Partner reasonably believes may be incurred by an Indemnified Party in connection with the operation of the business of the Partnership. The right to procure such insurance on behalf of the Indemnified Parties shall in no way mitigate or otherwise affect the right of any such Indemnified Party to indemnification pursuant to Section 6.7(A) hereof.
- (C) The provisions of this Section 6.7 are for the benefit of the Indemnified Parties, their heirs, executors, guardians, conservators, successors, assigns and administrators and shall not be deemed to create any rights in or benefit to any other Person.

SECTION 7.1 Books and Records. The General Partner shall maintain at the office of the Partnership full and accurate books of the Partnership showing all receipts and expenditures, assets and liabilities, profits and losses, names and current addresses of Partners, and all other records necessary for recording the Partnership's business and affairs. Each Limited Partner and Preferred Limited Partner shall have, upon written demand and at such Limited Partner's or Preferred Limited Partner's expense, as the case may be, the right to receive true and complete information regarding Partnership matters to the extent required (and subject to the limitations) under Delaware law.

SECTION 7.2 Annual Audit and Accounting. The books and records of the Partnership shall be kept for financial and tax reporting purposes on the accrual basis of accounting in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles ("GAAP"). The accounts of the Partnership shall be audited annually by a nationally recognized accounting firm of independent public accountants selected by the General Partner (the "Independent Accountants").

SECTION 7.3 Partnership Funds. The General Partner shall have responsibility for the safekeeping and use of all funds and assets of the Partnership, whether or not in its direct or indirect possession or control. All funds of the Partnership not otherwise invested shall be deposited in one or more accounts maintained in such banking institutions as the General Partner shall determine, and withdrawals shall be made only in the regular course of Partnership business on such signatures as the General Partner may from time to time determine.

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SECTION 7.4 Reports and Notices. The General Partner shall provide all Partners with the following reports no later than the dates indicated or as soon thereafter as circumstances permit:

- (A) By March 31 of each year, IRS Form 1065 and Schedule K-1, or similar forms as may be required by the IRS, stating each Partner's allocable share of income, gain, loss, deduction or credit for the prior Fiscal Year;
- (B) Within ninety (90) days after the end of each of the first three (3) fiscal quarters, as of the last day of the fiscal quarter, a report containing unaudited financial statements of the Partnership, or of the General Partner if such statements are prepared on a consolidated basis with the General Partner, and such other information as may be legally required or determined to be appropriate by the General Partner; and
- (C) Within one hundred twenty (120) days after the end of each Fiscal Year, as of the close of the Fiscal Year, an annual report containing audited financial statements of the Partnership, or of the General Partner if such statements are prepared on a consolidated basis with the General Partner, presented in accordance with GAAP and certified by the Independent Accountants.

SECTION 7.5 Tax Matters.

- (A) The General Partner shall be the Tax Matters Partner of the Partnership for federal income tax matters pursuant to Code Section 6231(a)(7)(A). The Tax Matters Partner is authorized and required to represent the Partnership (at the expense of the Partnership) in connection with all examinations of the affairs of the Partnership by any federal, state, or local tax authorities, including any resulting administrative and judicial proceedings, and to expend funds of the Partnership for professional services and costs associated therewith. The Tax Matters Partner shall deliver to the Limited Partners and Preferred Limited Partners within ten (10) business days of the receipt thereof a copy of any notice or other communication with respect to the Partnership received from the IRS (or other governmental tax authority), or any court, in each case with respect to any administrative or judicial proceeding involving the Partnership. The Partners agree to cooperate with each other in connection with the conduct of all proceedings pursuant to this Section 7.5(A).
- (B) The Tax Matters Partner shall receive no compensation for its services in such capacity. If the Tax Matters Partner incurs any costs related to any tax audit, declaration of any tax deficiency or any administrative proceeding or litigation involving any Partnership tax matter, such amount shall be an expense of the Partnership and the Tax Matters Partner shall be entitled to full reimbursement therefor.
- (C) The General Partner shall cause to be prepared all federal, state and local income tax returns required of the Partnership at the Partnership's expense.

(D) Except as set forth herein, the General Partner shall determine whether to make (and, if necessary, revoke) any tax election available to the Partnership under the Code or any state tax law; provided, however, upon the request of any Partner, the General Partner shall make the elec-

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tion under Code Section 754 and the Treasury Regulations promulgated thereunder. The Partnership shall elect to deduct expenses, if any, incurred by it in organizing the Partnership in accordance with the provisions of Code Section 709.

 ${\tt SECTION~7.6~Withholding.}~{\tt Each~Partner~hereby~authorizes} \\ {\tt the~Partnership~to~withhold~from~or~pay~to~any~taxing~authority~on~behalf~of} \\$ such Partner any tax that the General Partner determines the Partnership is required to withhold or pay with respect to any amount distributable or allocable to such Partner. Any amount paid to any taxing authority which does not constitute a reduction in the amount otherwise distributable to such Partner shall be treated as a loan from the Partnership to such Partner, which loan shall bear interest at the "prime rate" as published from time to time in The Wall Street Journal plus two (2) percentage points, and shall be repaid within ten (10) business days after request for repayment from the General Partner. The obligation to repay any such loan shall be secured by such Partner's Partnership Interest and each Partner hereby grants the Partnership a security interest in his Partnership Interest for the purposes set forth in this Section 7.6, this Section 7.6 being intended to serve as a security agreement for purposes of the Uniform Commercial Code with the Partnership having in respect hereof all of the remedies of a secured party under the Uniform Commercial Code. Each Partner agrees to take such reasonable actions as the General Partner may request to perfect and continue the perfection of the security interest granted hereby. In the event any Partner fails to repay any deemed loan pursuant to this Section 7.6 the Partnership shall be entitled to avail itself of any rights and remedies it may have. Furthermore, upon the expiration of ten (10) business days after demand for payment, the General Partner shall have the right, but not the obligation, to make the payment to the Partnership on behalf of the defaulting Partner and thereupon be subrogated to the rights of the Partnership with respect to such defaulting Partner.

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ARTICLE VIII - TRANSFER OF PARTNERSHIP INTERESTS; ADMISSION OF PARTNERS

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SECTION 8.1 Transfer by General Partner. The General Partner may not voluntarily withdraw or, except as provided in Section 8.2, Transfer all or any portion of its General Partner Interest. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the General Partner may pledge its General Partner Interest in furtherance of the Partnership's business (including without limitation, in connection with a loan agreement under which the Partnership is a borrower) without the consent of any Partner.

SECTION 8.2 Obligations of a Prior General Partner. Upon an Involuntary Withdrawal of the General Partner, the General Partner's Interest may be transferred to a successor with the Consent of the holders of a majority of each of the Partnership Units and the Preferred Units, voting separately. The transferring General Partner shall (i) remain liable for all obligations and liabilities (other than Partnership liabilities payable solely from Partnership Assets) incurred by it as General Partner before the effective date of such event and (ii) pay all costs associated with the admission of its Successor General Partner. However, such General Partner shall be free of and held

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harmless by the Partnership against any obligation or liability incurred on account of the activities of the Partnership from and after the effective date of such event, except as provided in this Agreement.

SECTION 8.3 Successor General Partner. A successor to all of a General Partner's General Partner Interest who has been approved in accordance with Section 8.2 shall be admitted as the Successor General Partner, effective immediately prior to the Transfer. Any such Successor shall carry on the business of the Partnership without dissolution. In addition, the following conditions must be satisfied:

(A) The Person shall have accepted and agreed to be bound by all the terms and provisions of this Agreement by executing a counterpart thereof and such other documents or instruments as may be required or appropriate in order to effect the admission of such Person as a

- (B) An amendment to this Agreement evidencing the admission of such Person as a General Partner shall have been executed by all General Partners and an amendment to the Certificate shall have been filed as required by the Act; and
- (C) Any consent required under Section 11.1(A) shall have been obtained.

 $$\operatorname{\mathtt{SECTION}}$ 8.4 Restrictions on Transfer and Withdrawal by Limited Partner.

- (A) Subject to the provisions of Section 8.4(D), no Limited Partner or Preferred Limited Partner may Transfer all or any portion of its Partnership Interest without first obtaining the Consent of the General Partner, which Consent may be granted or withheld in the sole and absolute discretion of the General Partner. Any such purported transfer undertaken without such Consent shall be considered to be null and void ab initio and shall not be given effect.
- (B) No Limited Partner or Preferred Limited Partner may withdraw from the Partnership other than as a result of a permitted Transfer (i.e., a Transfer consented to as contemplated by clause (A) above or clause (D) below or a Transfer pursuant to clause (C) below) of all of such Limited Partner's or Preferred Limited Partner's Partnership Units pursuant to this Article VIII or pursuant to a redemption or exchange of all of such Limited Partner's or Preferred Limited Partner's Partnership Units pursuant to Article IX. Upon the permitted Transfer or redemption of all of a Limited Partner's or Preferred Limited Partner's Partnership Interests, such Limited Partner or Preferred Limited Partner shall cease to be a Limited Partner or Preferred Limited Partner, as the case may be.
- (C) Upon the Involuntary Withdrawal of any Limited Partner or Preferred Limited Partner (which shall under no circumstance in and of itself cause the dissolution of the Partnership), the executor, administrator, trustee, guardian, receiver or conservator of such Limited Partner's or Preferred Limited Partners estate shall become a Substituted Limited Partner or Substituted Preferred Limited Partner upon compliance with the provisions of Section 8.5(A)(1)-(3).
- (D) Subject to clause (E) below, a Limited Partner or Preferred Limited Partner may Transfer, with the Consent of the General Partner, all or a portion of such Limited Partner's or Pre-

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ferred Limited Partner's Partnership Interests to (a) a parent or parents, spouse, natural or adopted descendant or brother or sister, or a trust created by such Limited Partner or Preferred Limited Partner for the benefit of such Limited Partner or Preferred Limited Partner and/or any such person(s), of which trust such Limited Partner or Preferred Limited Partner or any such person(s) is a trustee, (b) a corporation controlled by a Person or Persons named in (a) above, (c) if the Limited Partner or Preferred Limited Partner is an entity, its beneficial owners, or (d) a family limited partnership comprised of members of the family of a Limited Partner or a Preferred Limited Partner, and the General Partner shall grant its Consent to any Transfer pursuant to this Section 8.4(D) unless such Transfer, in the reasonable judgment of the General Partner, would cause (or have the potential to cause) the General Partner to fail to qualify for taxation as a REIT, in which case the General Partner shall have the sole and absolute discretion to refuse to permit such Transfer, and any purported Transfer in violation of this Section 8.4(D) shall be null and void ab initio and shall not be given effect.

(E) No Transfer of Limited Partnership Interests or Preferred Limited Partner Partnership Interests shall be made if such Transfer would (i) in the opinion of Partnership counsel, cause the Partnership to be terminated for federal income tax purposes or to be treated as an association taxable as a corporation (rather than a partnership) for federal income tax purposes; (ii) be effected through an "established securities market" or a "secondary market (or the substantial equivalent thereof)" within the meaning of Code Section 7704 and the Treasury Regulations thereunder; (iii) in the opinion of Partnership counsel, violate the provisions of applicable securities laws; (iv) violate the terms of (or result in a default or acceleration under) any law, rule, regulation, agreement or commitment binding on the Partnership; (v) cause the Partnership to become, with respect to any employee benefit plan subject to Title I of ERISA, a "party-in-interest" (as defined in Section 3(14) of ERISA) or a "disqualified person" (as defined in Section 4975(e) of the Code); (vi) in the opinion of counsel to the Partnership, cause any portion of the underlying assets of the Partnership to constitute assets of any employee benefit plan pursuant to Department of Labor Regulations Section 2510.3-101; or (vii) result in a deemed distribution to any Partner attributable to a

failure to meet the requirements of Treasury Regulations Section $1.752-2\,(d)\,(1)$, unless such Partner consents thereto.

(F) Prior to the consummation of any Transfer under this Section 8.4, the transferor and/or the transferee shall deliver to the General Partner such opinions, certificates and other documents as the General Partner shall request in connection with such Transfer.

SECTION 8.5 Substituted Limited Partner.

- (A) No transferee shall become a Substituted Limited Partner or Substituted Preferred Limited Partner in place of its assignor unless and until the following conditions have been satisfied:
- (1) The assignor and transferee file a Notice or other evidence of Transfer and such other information reasonably required by the General Partner, including, without limitation, names, addresses and telephone numbers of the assignor and transferee;

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- (2) The transferee executes, adopts and acknowledges this Agreement, or a counterpart hereto, and such other documents as may be reasonably requested by the General Partner, including without limitation, all documents necessary to comply with applicable tax and/or securities rules and regulations; and
- $\hbox{(3)} \quad \hbox{The assignor or transferee pays all costs and fees} \\ \hbox{incurred or charged by the Partnership to effect the Transfer and} \\ \hbox{substitution.}$
- (B) If a transferee of a Limited Partner or Preferred Limited Partner does not become a Substituted Limited Partner or Substituted Preferred Limited Partner pursuant to Section 8.5(A), such transferee shall be an Assignee and shall not have any rights to require any information on account of the Partnership's business, to inspect the Partnership's books or to vote or otherwise take part in the affairs of the Partnership (such Partnership Interests being deemed to have been voted in the same proportion as all other Partnership Interests held by Limited Partners or Preferred Limited Partners, as the case may be, have been voted). Such Assignee shall be entitled, however, to all the rights of an assignee of a limited partner interest under the Act. Any Assignee wishing to Transfer the Partnership Units acquired shall be subject to the restrictions set forth in this Article VIII.

SECTION 8.6 Timing and Effect of Transfers. Unless the General Partner agrees otherwise, Transfers under this Article VIII may only be made as of the first day of a fiscal quarter of the Partnership. Upon any Transfer of a Partnership Interest in accordance with this Article VIII or redemption of a Partnership Interest in accordance with Article IX, the Partnership shall allocate all items of Profit and Loss between the assignor and the transferee in accordance with Section 5.2(F)(2) hereof. The assignor shall have the right to receive all distributions as to which the Record Date precedes the date of Transfer and the transferee shall have the right to receive all distributions thereafter.

SECTION 8.7 Additional Limited Partners. Other than in accordance with the transactions specified in the Contribution Agreements, after the initial execution of this Agreement and the admission to the Partnership of the Initial Limited Partners, any Person making a Capital Contribution to the Partnership in accordance herewith shall be admitted as an Additional Limited Partner or Additional Preferred Limited Partner only (i) with the Consent of the General Partner and (ii) upon execution, adoption and acknowledgment of this Agreement, or a counterpart hereto, and such other documents as may be reasonably requested by the General Partner, including without limitation, the power of attorney required under Section 12.3. Upon satisfaction of the foregoing requirements, such Person shall be admitted as an Additional Limited Partner or Additional Preferred Limited Partner effective on the date upon which the name of such Person is recorded on the books of the Partnership.

SECTION 8.8 Amendment of Agreement and Certificate. Upon any admission of a Person as a Partner to the Partnership, the General Partner shall make any necessary amendment to this Agreement to reflect such admission and, if required by the Act, to cause to be filed an amendment to the Certificate.

be granted or withheld in the sole and absolute discretion of the General Partner. Any such purported pledge, mortgage, hypothecation or encumbrance undertaken without such Consent shall be considered null and void ab initio and shall not be given effect.

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ARTICLE IX REDEMPTION AND CONVERSION

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SECTION 9.1 Right of Redemption

(A) Subject to compliance with (v) the Act, (w) the terms and conditions of the REIT Charter, (x) all requirements under the Code applicable to real estate investment trusts, (y) Title 8 of the Corporations and Associations Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland, as amended, or any other law as in effect from time to time and (z) any applicable rule or policy of any stock exchange or self-regulatory organization (a "Redemption Restriction"), beginning on September 1, 1998, during each Redemption Period each Redeeming Party shall have the right to require the Partnership to redeem all or a portion of the Partnership Units held by such Redeeming Party by providing the General Partner with a Redemption Notice. A Limited Partner may invoke its rights under this Article IX with respect to one or more Partnership Units or all of the Partnership Units held by such Limited Partner. Upon the General Partner's receipt of a Redemption Notice from a Redeeming Party, the Partnership shall be obligated (subject to the existence of any Redemption Restriction) to redeem the Partnership Units from such Redeeming Party (the "Redemption Obligation").

(B) Upon receipt of a Redemption Notice from a Redeeming Party, the General Partner shall either (i) cause the Partnership to redeem the Partnership Units tendered in the Redemption Notice, (ii) assume the Redemption Obligation, as set forth in Section 9.4, or (iii) provide written Notice to the Redeeming Party of each applicable Redemption Restriction.

SECTION 9.2 Timing of Redemption. The Redemption Obligation (or the obligation to provide Notice of an applicable Redemption Restriction, if one exists) shall mature on the date which is seven (7) business days after the receipt by the General Partner of a Redemption Notice from the Redeeming Party (the "Redemption Date").

SECTION 9.3 Redemption Price. On or before the Redemption Date, the Partnership (or the General Partner if it elects pursuant to Section 9.4) shall deliver to the Redeeming Party, in the sole and absolute discretion of the General Partner, either (i) a Share Payment or (ii) a Cash Payment; provided, however, that a Share Payment shall not be made, and a Cash Payment shall instead be made in all cases, if, in the sole and absolute discretion of the General Partner, the making of a Share Payment would result in a material risk of termination of the General Partner's status as a

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REIT under the Code. In order to enable the Partnership to effect a redemption by making a Share Payment pursuant to this Section 9.3, the General Partner in its sole and absolute discretion may issue to the Partnership the number of REIT Shares required to make such Share Payment in exchange for the issuance to the General Partner of Partnership Units equal in number to the quotient of the number of REIT Shares issued and the Conversion Factor. Any such Partnership Unit redeemed by the Partnership shall be deemed cancelled.

SECTION 9.4 Assumption of Redemption Obligation. Upon receipt of a Redemption Notice, the General Partner, in its sole and absolute discretion, shall have the right to assume the Redemption Obligation of the Partnership. In such case, the General Partner shall be substituted for the Partnership for all purposes of this Article IX and, upon acquisition of the Partnership Units tendered by the Redeeming Party pursuant to the Redemption Notice shall be treated for all purposes of this Agreement as the owner of such Partnership Units. Such Partnership Units shall constitute General Partner Interests. Such exchange transaction shall be treated for federal income tax purposes by the Partnership, the General Partner and the Redeeming Party as a sale by the Redeeming Party as seller to the General Partner as purchaser.

SECTION 9.5 Further Assurances; Certain Representations. Each party to this Agreement agrees to execute any documents deemed reasonably necessary by the General Partner to evidence the issuance of any Share Payment to a Redeeming Party. Each Limited Partner and Preferred Limited Partner, by executing this Agreement, shall be deemed to have represented to the General Partner and the Partnership that (i) its acquisition of its Partnership Interest is or will be made as a principal for its own account, for investment purposes only and not with a view to the

resale or distribution of such Partnership Interest and (ii) if it shall receive REIT Shares pursuant to this Article IX other than pursuant to an effective registration statement under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, that its acquisition of such REIT Shares is or will be made as a principal for its own account, for investment purposes only and not with a view to the resale or distribution of such REIT Shares and agrees that such REIT Shares may be bear a legend to the effect that such REIT Shares have not been so registered and may not be sold other than pursuant to such a registration statement or an exemption from the registration requirements of such Act.

SECTION 9.6 Effect of Redemption. Upon the satisfaction of the Redemption Obligation by the Partnership or the General Partner, as the case may be, the Redeeming Party shall have no further right to receive any Partnership distributions in respect of the Partnership Units so redeemed and shall be deemed to have represented to the Partnership and the General Partner that the Partnership Units tendered for redemption are not subject to any liens, claims or encumbrances.

SECTION 9.7 Registration Rights. In the event a Limited Partner receives REIT Shares in connection with a redemption of Partnership Units pursuant to this Article IX, such Limited Partner shall be entitled to have such REIT Shares registered under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, as provided in the Registration Rights Agreement.

SECTION 9.8 Conversion. (A) Each Preferred Limited Partner shall have the right, at any time or from time to time, to convert on or after October 1, 1999 some or all of its Preferred

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Units into Limited Partner Interests, effective upon January 1, April 1, July 1 or October 1 of any year, by providing the General Partner with a Conversion Notice not less than 30 days prior to the effective date of such conversion. Upon the effective date of any such conversion, the Preferred Units which are the subject of such conversion shall be converted, without necessity of any further action by the General Partner, into Partnership Units of Limited Partner Interest on the basis of 3.5714 Partnership Units of Limited Partner Interest for each Preferred Unit being converted plus an amount in cash equal to the accrued Priority Return Amount in respect of such Preferred Units. In any case in which the conversion into Limited Partner Interests under this Section would result in the issuance of a fractional Limited Partner Interest, the General Partner shall pay the converting Limited Partner cash in lieu of issuance of a fractional Limited Partner Interest, with the value of such fractional interest being determined by reference to the Unit Value applicable on the date of conversion.

(B) In any case in which there is an unpaid Priority Return Amount with respect to a Preferred Unit that is converted pursuant to paragraph (A) of this Section, the converting Partner shall continue to have the right to distributions (and allocations) under Article V and Section 10.2 of this Agreement as if the converting Partner continued to hold the converted Preferred Unit until the unpaid distributions (and related allocations) have been paid (or allocated).

SECTION 9.9 Redemption Restriction.

- (A) The General Partner shall not take, or cause to be taken, any action which would cause a Redemption Restriction to exist or continue.
- (B) The General Partner shall, at its cost and expense, take, or cause to be taken, all such actions that may be necessary or desirable to mitigate the existence or effect of any Redemption Restriction and to facilitate and make effective the rights of redemption and conversion provided in this Article IX.

SECTION 9.10 Special Event.

(A) Notwithstanding any provision of this Agreement to the contrary, upon the occurrence of a Special Event (whether before or after September 1, 1998), each Redeeming Party shall immediately have the unconditional right (irrespective of whether a Redemption Restriction exists or could thereby be created other than a Redemption Restriction under the Act) to require the Partnership to redeem all or a portion of the Partnership Units held by such Redeeming Party by providing the General Partner with a Redemption Notice. A Limited Partner may invoke its rights under this Section 9.10 with respect to one or more Partnership Units or all of the Partnership Units held by such Limited Partner. Any such redemption shall otherwise be governed by and effected and implemented pursuant to this Article IX as if no Redemption Restriction existed.

(B) Notwithstanding any provision of this Agreement to the contrary, upon the occurrence of a Special Event (whether before or after

October 1, 1999), each Preferred Limited Partner shall have the right effective upon the happening of such Special Event, at any time or from time to time, to convert some or all of its Preferred Units into Limited Partner Interests by providing the Gen-

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eral Partner with a Conversion Notice. Any such conversion shall otherwise be governed by and effected and implemented pursuant to this Article IX.

(C) "Special Event" means the occurrence of any of the following:

(I) any person or group (as such terms are used in Section 13(d) and 14(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended ("Exchange Act")) other than the Permitted Holders, directly or indirectly, makes an offer to purchase or commences a tender offer for REIT Shares such that, after acquiring all such REIT Shares offered to be acquired or tendered for, such person or group would then be the "beneficial owner" (as defined in Rules 13d-3 and 13d-5 under the Exchange Act), directly or indirectly, of 20% or more of the total number of REIT Shares then issued and outstanding; or

(II) any "person" (as such term is used in Sections 13(d) and 14(d) of the Exchange Act), other than one or more Permitted Holders, is or becomes the beneficial owner (as defined in clause (C)(1) above, except that for purposes of this clause (II) such person shall be deemed to have "beneficial ownership" of all shares that any such person has the right to acquire, whether such right is exercisable immediately or only after the passage of time), directly or indirectly, of more than 20% of the total voting power represented by all the REIT Shares then outstanding; or

during any period of two consecutive (III) years, individuals who at the beginning of such period constituted the Board of Trustees of COPT (together with any new directors whose election by such Board of Trustees or whose nomination for election by the shareholders of COPT was approved by a vote of 66 2/3% of the directors of COPT then still in office who were either trustees at the beginning of such period or whose election or nomination for election was previously so approved) cease for any reason to constitute a majority of the Board of Trustees of COPT then in office; or

(IV) the merger or consolidation of COPT with or into another Person or the merger or consolidation of another Person with or into COPT, or the sale of all or substantially all the assets of COPT to another Person (other than a Person that is controlled by the Permitted Holders in the aggregate), and, in the case of any such merger or consolidation, the securities of COPT that are outstanding immediately prior to such transaction and which represent 100% of the aggregate voting power of the REIT Shares are changed into or exchanged for cash, securities or property.

(D) "Permitted Holders" means Jay H. Shidler, Clay W. Hamlin III, Westbrook Real Estate Fund I, L.P. and Westbrook Real Estate Co. Investment Partnership I, L.P. and any corporation, partnership, trust, estate or other legal entity controlled by any of the foregoing Persons (or jointly controlled by Messrs. Shidler and Hamlin).

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ARTICLE X - DISSOLUTION AND LIQUIDATION

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SECTION 10.1 Term and Dissolution. The Partnership commenced as of October 10, 1997, and shall continue until October 31, 2096, at which time the Partnership shall dissolve or until dissolution occurs prior to that date at any time there are no limited partners of the Partnership and for any one of the following reasons:

(A) An Involuntary Withdrawal or a voluntary withdrawal, even though in violation of this Agreement, of the General Partner or any other event that causes the General Partner to cease to be a general partner under the Act (other than a Transfer to a Successor General Partner in accordance with Article VIII) unless, within ninety (90) days after such event a majority of the Limited Partners remaining agree in writing to the continuation of the Partnership and to the appointment, effective as of the date of such event, of a Successor General Partner;

(B) Entry of a decree of judicial dissolution of the

Partnership under the Act;

- (C) The sale, exchange or other disposition of all or substantially all of the Partner-ship Assets; or
- (D) The affirmative vote of the holders of not less than two-thirds of the Limited Partner Interests.

For purposes of Sections 10.1 and 10.2, Preferred Units shall be treated as if they have been converted on the date of any such vote into Limited Partner Interests pursuant to Section 9.8 and the Preferred Limited Partners holding such Preferred Units shall be treated as Limited Partners.

SECTION 10.2 Liquidation of Partnership Assets.

- (A) Subject to Section 10.2(E), in the event of dissolution pursuant to Section 10.1, the Partnership shall continue solely for purposes of winding up the affairs of, achieving a final termination of, and satisfaction of the creditors of, the Partnership. The General Partner (or, if there is no General Partner remaining, any Person elected by a majority in interest of the Limited Partners (the "Liquidator")) shall be responsible for oversight of the winding up and termination of the Partnership. The Liquidator shall obtain a full accounting of the assets and liabilities of the Partnership and such Partnership Assets shall be liquidated (including, at the discretion of the Liquidator, in exchange, in whole or in part, for REIT Shares) as promptly as the Liquidator is able to do so without any undue loss in value, with the proceeds therefrom applied and distributed in the following order:
- (1) First, to creditors, including partners who are creditors, in satisfaction of liabilities of the Partnership (whether by payment or the making of reasonable provision for payment thereof), other than liabilities for distributions to Partners and former Partners;
- (2) Second, to the Preferred Limited Partners in amounts equal to any unpaid Priority Return Amounts;

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- (3) Third, to Partners and former Partners in satisfaction of liabilities for distributions; and
- (4) The balance, if any, to the Partners in accordance with their positive Capital Accounts after giving effect to all contributions, distributions, and allocations for all periods.
- (B) In accordance with Section 10.2(A), the Liquidator shall proceed without any unnecessary delay to sell and otherwise liquidate the Partnership Assets; provided, however, that if the Liquidator shall determine that an immediate sale of part or all of the Partnership Assets would cause undue loss to the Partners, the Liquidator may defer the liquidation except (i) to the extent provided by the Act or (ii) as may be necessary to satisfy the debts and liabilities of the Partnership to Persons other than the Partnerss.
- (C) If, in the sole and absolute discretion of the Liquidator, there are Partnership Assets that the Liquidator will not be able to liquidate, or if the liquidation of such assets would result in undue loss to the Partners, the Liquidator may distribute such Partnership Assets to the Partners in-kind, in lieu of cash, as tenants-in-common in accordance with the priorities set forth in Section 10.2(A). The foregoing notwithstanding, such in-kind distributions shall only be made if in the Liquidator's good faith judgment that is in the best interest of the Partners.
- (D) Upon the complete liquidation and distribution of the Partnership Assets, the Partners shall cease to be partners of the Partnership, and the Liquidator shall execute, acknowledge and cause to be filed all certificates and notices required by law to terminate the Partnership. Upon the dissolution of the Partnership pursuant to Section 10.1, the Liquidator shall cause to be prepared, and shall furnish to each Partner, a statement setting forth the assets and liabilities of the Partnership. Promptly following the complete liquidation and distribution of the Partnership Assets, the Liquidator shall furnish to each Partner a statement showing the manner in which the Partnership Assets were liquidated and distributed.
- (E) Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions of this Section 10.2, in the event that the Partnership shall dissolve as a result of the expiration of the term provided for herein or as a result of the occurrence of an event of the type described in Section 10.1(B) or (C), then each Limited Partner shall be deemed to have delivered a Redemption Notice on the date of such dissolution. In connection with each such Redemption Notice, the General Partner shall have the option, subject to the Act, of either (i) complying with the redemption procedures contained in Article IX or (ii) at the request of any Limited Partner, delivering to such Limited

Partner, Partnership property approximately equal in value (after taking into account the liabilities hereto referred to) the amount otherwise distributable to such Partner under Section 10.2(A)(4) hereof upon the assumption by such Limited Partner of such Limited Partner's proportionate share of the Partnership's liabilities and payment by such Limited Partner (or the Partnership) of any excess (or deficiency) of the value of the property so delivered over the amount otherwise distributable to such Partner under Section 10.2(A)(4). In lieu of requiring such Limited Partner to assume its proportionate share of Partnership liabilities, the General Partner may, subject to the Act, deliver to such Limited Partner unencumbered Partnership property approximately equal in value to the amount otherwise distributable to such Partner under Section

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10.2(A)(4). In furtherance of the foregoing, a Partner may be compelled to accept a distribution of any asset in kind from the Partnership despite the fact that the percentage of the assets distributed to him exceeds the percentage of that asset which is equal to the percentage in which he shares in distributions from the Partnership.

SECTION 10.3 Effect of Treasury Regulations.

(A) In the event the Partnership is "liquidated" within the meaning of Treasury Regulations Section 1.704-1(b) (2) (ii) (g) and there has been a dissolution of the Partnership under Section 10.1 hereof, distributions shall be made pursuant to this Article X to the General Partner, the Limited Partners, the Preferred Limited Partners who have positive Capital Accounts in compliance with Treasury Regulations Section 1.704-1(b) (2) (ii) (b) (2). If any Partner has a deficit balance in its Capital Account (after giving effect to all contributions (without regard to this Section 10.3(A)), distributions and allocations), such Partner shall have no obligation to make any contribution to the capital of the Partnership. Any deficit restoration obligation pursuant to the provisions hereof shall be for the benefit of creditors of the Partnership or any other Person to whom any debts, liabilities, or obligations are owed by (or who otherwise has any claim against) the Partnership or the General Partner, in its capacity as general partner of the Partnership.

(B) In the event the Partnership is "liquidated" within the meaning of Treasury Regulations Section 1.704-1(b)(2)(ii)(g) but there has been no dissolution of the Partnership under Section 10.1 hereof, then the Partnership Assets shall not be liquidated, the Partnership's liabilities shall not be paid or discharged and the Partnership's affairs shall not be wound up. In the event of such a liquidation there shall be deemed to have been a distribution of Partnership Assets in kind to the Partners in accordance with their respective Capital Accounts followed by a recontribution of the Partnership Assets by the Partners also in accordance with their respective Capital Accounts.

SECTION 10.4 Time for Winding-Up. Anything in this Article X notwithstanding, a reasonable time shall be allowed for the orderly winding-up of the business and affairs of the Partnership and the liquidation of the Partnership Assets in order to minimize any potential for losses as a result of such process. During the period of winding-up, this Agreement shall remain in full force and effect and shall govern the rights and relationships of the Partners inter se.

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ARTICLE XI - AMENDMENTS AND MEETINGS

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SECTION 11.1 Amendment Procedure.

(A) Amendments to this Agreement may be proposed by the General Partner. An amendment proposed at any time when the General Partner holds less than 90% of all Partnership Units will be adopted and effective only if it receives the Consent of the holders of a majority of each of the Partnership Units and Preferred Units, voting separately, not then held by the General Partner

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and an amendment proposed at any time when the General Partner holds 90% or more of all Partnership Units and Preferred Units may be made by the General Partner without the Consent of any Limited Partner or Preferred Limited Partner; provided, however, no amendment shall be adopted if it would (i) convert a Limited Partner's Partnership Interest or Preferred Limited Partner's Preferred Units into a general partner interest, (ii) increase the liability of a Limited Partner or a Preferred Limited Partner under this Agreement, (iii) except as otherwise permitted in this Agreement, alter the

amount or the Partner's rights to distributions set forth in Article V or X, or the allocations set forth in Article IV, (iv) alter or modify any aspect of the Partners' rights with respect to redemption of Partnership Units or conversion of Preferred Units, (v) cause the early termination of the Partnership (other than pursuant to the terms hereof) or (vi) amend this Section 11.1(A), in each case without the Consent of each Partner adversely affected thereby. In connection with any proposed amendment of this Agreement requiring Consent, the General Partner shall either call a meeting to solicit the vote of the Partners or seek the written vote of the Partners to such amendment. In the case of a request for a written vote, the General Partner shall be authorized to impose such reasonable time limitations for response, but in no event less than ten (10) days, with the failure to respond being deemed a vote consistent with the vote of the General Partner.

- (B) Notwithstanding the foregoing, amendments may be made to this Agreement by the General Partner, without the Consent of any Limited Partner or Preferred Limited Partner, to (i) add to the representations, duties or obligations of the General Partner or surrender any right or power granted to the General Partner herein; (ii) cure any ambiguity, correct or supplement any provision herein which may be inconsistent with any other provision herein or make any other provisions with respect to matters or questions arising hereunder which will not be inconsistent with any other provision hereof; (iii) reflect the admission, substitution, termination or withdrawal of Partners in accordance with this Agreement; or (iv) satisfy any requirements, conditions or guidelines contained in any order, directive, opinion, ruling or regulation of a federal or state agency or contained in federal or state law. The General Partner shall reasonably promptly notify the Limited Partners and Preferred Limited Partners whenever it exercises its authority pursuant to this Section 11.1(B).
- (C) Within ten (10) days of the making of any proposal to amend this Agreement, the General Partner shall give all Partners Notice of such proposal (along with the text of the proposed amendment and a statement of its purposes).

SECTION 11.2 Meetings and Voting.

(A) Meetings of Partners may be called by the General Partner. The General Partner shall give all Partners Notice of the purpose of such proposed meeting not less than seven (7) days nor more than thirty (30) days prior to the date of the meeting. Meetings shall be held at a reasonable time and place selected by the General Partner. Whenever the vote or Consent of Partners is permitted or required hereunder, such vote or Consent shall be requested by the General Partner and may be given by the Partners in the same manner as set forth for a vote with respect to an amendment to this Agreement in Section 11.1(A).

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- (B) Any action required or permitted to be taken at a meeting of the Partners may be taken without a meeting if a written consent setting forth the action to be taken is signed by the Partners owning Percentage Interests required to vote in favor of such action, which consent may be evidenced in one or more instruments (for this purpose Preferred Units and Preferred Limited Partners shall be treated as provided in Section 10.1(D) in the case of a vote pursuant to such Section). Consents need not be solicited from any other Partner if the written consent of a sufficient number of Partners has been obtained to take the action for which such solicitation was required.
- (C) Each Limited Partner and each Preferred Limited Partner may authorize any Person or Persons, including without limitation the General Partner, to act for him by proxy on all matters on which a Limited Partner or a Preferred Limited Partner may participate. Every proxy (i) must be signed by the Limited Partner, the Preferred Limited Partner or their attorney-in-fact, (ii) shall expire eleven (11) months from the date thereof unless the proxy provides otherwise and (iii) shall be revocable at the discretion of the Limited Partner or Preferred Limited Partner granting such proxy.

ARTICLE XII - MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

SECTION 12.1 Title to Property. All property owned by the Partnership, whether real or personal, tangible or intangible, shall be deemed to be owned by the Partnership as an entity, and no Partner, individually, shall have any ownership of such property. The Partnership may hold any of its assets in its own name or, in the name of its nominee, which nominee may be one or more individuals, corporations, partnerships, limited liability companies, trusts or other entities.

SECTION 12.2 Other Activities of Limited Partners and Preferred Limited Partners. Except as expressly provided otherwise in this Agreement or in any other agreement entered into by a Limited Partner or a Preferred Limited Partner or any Affiliate of a Limited Partner or a Preferred Limited Partner and the Partnership, the General Partner or any Subsidiary of the Partnership or the General Partner, any Limited Partner or Preferred Limited Partner or any Affiliate of any Limited Partner or Preferred Limited Partner may engage in, or possess an interest in, other business ventures of every nature and description, independently or with others, including, without limitation, real estate business ventures, whether or not such other enterprises shall be in competition with any activities of the Partnership, the General Partner or any Subsidiary of the Partnership or the General Partner; and neither the Partnership, the General Partner, any such Subsidiary nor the other Partners shall have any right by virtue of this Agreement in and to such independent ventures or to the income or profits derived therefrom.

SECTION 12.3 Power of Attorney.

(A) Each Partner hereby irrevocably appoints and empowers the General Partner (which term shall include the Liquidator, in the event of a liquidation, for purposes of this Section 12.3) and each of their authorized officers and attorneys-in-fact with full power of substitution as his

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true and lawful agent and attorney-in-fact, with full power and authority in his name, place and stead to:

- (1) make, execute, acknowledge, publish and file in the appropriate public offices (a) any duly approved amendments to the Certificate pursuant to the Act and to the laws of any state in which such documents are required to be filed; (b) any certificates, instruments or documents as may be required by, or may be appropriate under, the laws of any state or other jurisdiction in which the Partnership is doing or intends to do business; (c) any other instrument which may be required to be filed by the Partnership under the laws of any state or by any governmental agency, or which the General Partner deems advisable to file; (d) any documents which may be required to effect the continuation of the Partnership, the admission, withdrawal or substitution of any Partner pursuant to Article VIII, dissolution and termination of the Partnership pursuant to Article X, or the surrender of any rights or the assumption of any additional responsibilities by the General Partner; (e) any document which may be required to effect an amendment to this Agreement, to the extent such amendment is permitted by Section 11.1; and (f) all instruments (including this Agreement and amendments and restatements hereof) relating to the determination of the rights, preferences and privileges of any class or series of Partnership Interests issued pursuant to Section 4.2(B) of this Agreement; and
- (2) sign, execute, swear to and acknowledge all voting ballots, consents, approvals, waivers, certificates and other instruments appropriate or necessary, in the sole discretion of the General Partner, to make, evidence, give, confirm or ratify any vote, consent, approval, agreement or other action which is made or given by the Partners hereunder or is consistent with the terms of this Agreement and appropriate or necessary, in the sole discretion of the General Partner, to effectuate the terms or intent of this Agreement.
- (B) Nothing herein contained shall be construed as authorizing the General Partner to amend this Agreement except in accordance with Article XI or as may be otherwise expressly provided for in this Agreement.
- (C) The foregoing grant of authority (i) is a special power of attorney, coupled with an interest, and it shall survive the disability or Involuntary Withdrawal of any Partner and shall extend to such Partner's heirs, executors, guardians, conservators, successors, assigns and personal representatives; (ii) may be exercised by the General Partner for each and every Partner acting as attorney-in-fact for each and every Partner; and (iii) shall survive the Transfer by a Limited Partner or Preferred Limited Partner of all or any portion of its Partnership Interest and shall be fully binding upon such transferee; except that the power of attorney shall survive such assignment with respect to the assignor Limited Partner or Preferred Limited Partner for the sole purpose of enabling the General Partner to execute, acknowledge and file any instrument necessary to effect the admission of the transferee as a Substituted Limited Partner or Substituted Preferred Limited Partner. Each Partner hereby agrees to be bound by any representations made by the General Partner, acting in good faith pursuant to such power of attorney. Each Partner shall execute and deliver to the General Partner, within fifteen (15) days after receipt of the General Partner's request therefor, such further designa-

tions, powers of attorney and other instruments as the General Partner deems necessary to effectuate this Agreement and the purposes of the Partnership.

SECTION 12.4 Notices. All notices and other communications provided for or permitted hereunder shall be made in writing by hand delivery, registered first-class mail, telex, telecopier, or any courier guaranteeing overnight delivery, (i) if to a Limited Partner or a Preferred Limited Partner, at the most current address given by such Limited Partner or Preferred Limited Partner to the General Partner by means of a notice given in accordance with the provisions of this Section 12.4, which address initially is the address contained in the records of the General Partner or the Partnership, or (ii) if to the General Partner or the Partnership, Corporate Office Properties Trust, One Logan Square, Suite 1105, Philadelphia, PA 19103, Attn: President.

All such notices and communications shall be deemed to have been duly given: at the time delivered by hand, if hand delivered; five business days after being deposited in the mail, postage prepaid, if mailed; when answered back, if telexed; or when receipt is acknowledged, if telecopied.

SECTION 12.5 Further Assurances. The parties agree to execute and deliver all such documents, provide all such information and take or refrain from taking any action as may be necessary or desirable to achieve the purposes of this Agreement and the Partnership.

SECTION 12.6 Titles and Captions. All article or section titles or captions in this Agreement are solely for convenience and shall not be deemed to be part of this Agreement or otherwise define, limit or extend the scope or intent of any provision hereof.

SECTION 12.7 Applicable Law. This Agreement, and the application or interpretation thereof, shall be governed exclusively by its terms and by the law of the State of Delaware, without regard to its principles of conflicts of laws.

SECTION 12.8 Binding Agreement. This Agreement shall be binding upon the parties hereto, their heirs, executors, personal representatives, successors and assigns.

SECTION 12.9 Waiver of Partition. Each of the parties hereto irrevocably waives during the term of the Partnership any right that it may have to maintain any action for partition with respect to any property of the Partnership.

SECTION 12.10 Counterparts and Effectiveness. This Agreement may be executed in several counterparts, which shall be treated as originals for all purposes, and all so executed shall constitute one agreement, binding on all of the parties hereto, notwithstanding that all the parties are not signatory to the original or the same counterpart. Any such counterpart shall be admissible into evidence as an original hereof against each Person who executed it. The execution of this Agreement and delivery thereof by facsimile shall be sufficient for all purposes, and shall be binding upon any party who so executes.

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SECTION 12.11 Survival of Representations. All representations and warranties herein shall survive the dissolution and final liquidation of the Partnership.

SECTION 12.12 Entire Agreement. This Agreement (and all Exhibits hereto) contains the entire understanding among the parties hereto and supersedes all prior written or oral agreements among them respecting the within subject matter, unless otherwise provided herein. There are no representations, agreements, arrangements or understandings, oral or written, among the Partners hereto relating to the subject matter of this Agreement which are not fully expressed herein and in said Exhibits.

SECTION 12.13 Temporary Allocation. With respect to the period from inception of the Partnership through December 31, 2000, in lieu of the allocation provided by Section $5.2\,(A)\,(6)$, the portion of Profits resulting from Partnership operations for each fiscal year shall be allocated (x) 19.8% to the General Partner and (y) 80.2% to all Partners (including the General Partner, but other than the Preferred Limited Partners) in accordance with their Percentage Interests. Profits from Partnership operations for a Fiscal Year shall mean the portion of Partnership Profits in excess of the amounts allocated pursuant to Sections $5.2\,(C)$ and (D) and $5.2\,(A)\,(1)$ through (5) of this Agreement, but shall not include Profits that arise from sales or dispositions of Partnership Assets, except in the ordinary course of business. The foregoing allocation of Profits shall be considered to occur pursuant to Section $5.2\,(A)$ of this Agreement.

SECTION 12.14 Authorization and Consent. The General Partner, each Limited Partner and each Preferred Limited Partner hereby authorizes the General Partner, in the name and on behalf of the Partnership, to execute, deliver and perform the Senior Secured Credit Agreement dated as of September 30, 1997 ("Credit Agreement") between Royale Investments, Inc. ("Royale") the Partnership, FCO Holdings, Inc., Blue Bell Investment Company, L.P., South Brunswick Investors, L.P. Comcourt Investors, L.P. and 6385 Flank Drive, L.P., as Loan parties and Bankers Trust Company, as Banker and each of the Security Documents (as defined in the Credit Agreement) to which it is to be a party or by which it is to be bound and to execute and deliver in the name and on behalf of the Partnership such instruments, agreements and documents and to take or refrain from taking all such action as it in its sole discretion shall deem necessary, desirable or advisable in connection with the foregoing and in connection with the Formation Agreement.

SECTION 12.15 Merger. The Partnership may merge with, or consolidate into, another business entity (as defined in Section 17-211(a) of the Act) upon approval by the General Partner and the Consent of the holders of a majority of each of the Partnership Units and the Preferred Units, voting separately. In accordance with Section 17-211 of the Act (including Section 17-211(g)), notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in this Agreement, an agreement of merger or consolidation approved by the General Partner and Consented to by the holders of a majority of each of the Partnership Units and the Preferred Units, voting separately, may (A) effect any amendment to this Agreement, or (B) effect the adoption of a new partnership agreement for the Partnership if it is the surviving or resulting limited partnership of the merger or consolidation. Any amendment to this Agreement or adoption of a new partnership agreement made pursuant to the foregoing sentence shall be effective at the effective time or date of the merger or consolidation. The provisions of this Sec-

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tion shall not be construed to limit the accomplishment of a merger or of any of the matters referred to herein by any other means otherwise permitted by law.

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 $\,$ IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this Agreement has been duly executed and delivered by the parties hereto as of the day and year first above written.

General Partner: CORPORATE OFFICE PROPERTIES TRUST,

as sole General Partner of the Partnership

LIMITED PARTNERS:

SHIDLER EQUITIES, L.P.

By: SHIDLER EQUITIES CORP.

By:

Name: Title:

LBCW LIMITED PARTNERSHIP

By:

Clay W. Hamlin III, General Partner

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Robert L. Denton

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John E. de B. Blockey, Trustee of the John E. de B. Blockey Living Trust dated 9/12/88

Henry D. Bullock

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Clay W. Hamlin	III	
James K. Davis		
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By:	WESTBROOK REAL ESTATE PARTNERS, L.L.C.	
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By:		
	Name: Clay W. Hamlin III, General Partner	
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Preferred Partnership			
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General Partner			
Corporate Office	600,000	20.6946%	
Limited Partners and Pre- ferred Limited Partners			
Jay H. Shidler	2,600	0.0897%	
Shidler Equities, L.P	582,103	20.0773%	
Clay W. Hamlin, III	5,235	0.1805%	
LBCW Limited Partnership	875,284	30.1894%	
CHLB Partnership	63,243	2.1813%	
Robert L. Denton	129,549	4.4683%	
James K. Davis	15,368	0.5300%	
John E. deB. Blockey,	89 , 549	3.0886%	
Henry D. Bullock	34,718	1.1975%	
Frederick R. Ito	17,359	0.5987%	
LGR Investment Fund, Ltd	80,030	2.7603%	
Tiger South Brunswick,	2,875	0.0992%	
Westbrook Real Estate	336,121	11.5931%	
Westbrook Real Estate	33,299	1.1485%	
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<s> <c> Denise J. Liszewski</c></s>	<c> 10,227</c>	<c></c>	
6,750 Samuel Tang	6,818	0.2352%	
David P. Hartsfield	9,091	0.3136%	

1,913,545	2,899,310	100.0000%		
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Kimberly F. Acquino	1,750	0.0604%		
Lawrence J. Taff	4,091	0.1411%		
CORPORATE OFFICE PROPERTIES TRUST, L.P. EXHIBIT 2

LIMITED PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENT

Form of Redemption or Conversion Notice

Exhibit 2

Redemption [Conversion] Notice

The undersigned hereby irrevocably (i) elects to exercise its [redemption] [conversion] rights contained in ARTICLE IX of the Limited Partnership Agreement of Corporate Office Properties, L.P. (the "Partnership Agreement") with respect to an aggregate of _____ [Partnership Units] [Preferred Units], (ii) surrenders such [Partnership Units] [Preferred Units] and all right, title and interest therein and (iii) directs that the [REIT Shares (or applicable cash amount if so determined by the General Partner in accordance with the Partnership Agreement)] [Units of Limited Partner Interest] deliverable upon [redemption][conversion] of such [Partnership Units] [Preferred Units] be delivered to the address specified below. Terms used above which are defined in the Partnership Agreement are used herein are defined therein.

Dated:

Name of Limited Partner or Preferred Limited Partner: Social Security or Federal Employer ID Number:

(Signature of Limited Partner or Preferred Limited Partner)

(Street Address)

(City) (State) (Zip Code)

Signature Guaranteed by:

CORPORATE OFFICE PROPERTIES TRUST, L.P. EXHIBIT 3

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LIMITED PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENT

EXHIBIT 10.17

AMENDED AND RESTATED REGISTRATION RIGHTS AGREEMENT Dated as of March 16, 1998

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CORPORATE OFFICE PROPERTIES TRUST

for the benefit of

HOLDERS OF PARTNERSHIP UNITS AND PREFERRED UNITS

of

CORPORATE OFFICE PROPERTIES, L.P.

and

HOLDERS OF COMMON SHARES OF BENEFICIAL INTEREST

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CORPORATE OFFICE PROPERTIES TRUST

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AMENDED AND RESTATED REGISTRATION RIGHTS AGREEMENT

THIS AMENDED AND RESTATED REGISTRATION RIGHTS AGREEMENT (this "Agreement") is made and entered into as of March 16, 1998 by Corporate Office Properties Trust, a Maryland real estate investment trust (the "Company"), for the benefit of (w) the persons who own limited partnership units ("Partnership Units") and/or preferred units ("Preferred Units"), whether owned as of the date hereof or hereafter acquired, of Corporate Office Properties, L.P., a limited partnership formed under the Delaware Revised Uniform Limited Partnership Act (the "Partnership"), (x) Vernon Beck, Robert L. Denton, Clay W. Hamlin III, John Parsinen and Jay H. Shidler, (y) persons issued common shares of beneficial interest, par value \$0.01 per share of the Company ("Common Shares") in exchange for shares of common stock, par value \$0.01 per share (the "Common Stock"), of Royale Investments, Inc., a Minnesota corporation ("Royale"), pursuant to the Contribution Agreement (as defined below), and (z) the respective successors. assigns, transferees and estates of the persons identified in clauses (w), (x) and (y)(herein referred to collectively as the "Holders" and individually as a "Holder"). The Partnership Units and Preferred Units are herein sometimes collectively called the "Units."

WHEREAS, on October [14], 1997 certain Holders become owners of Units in connection with the contributions (the "Contributions") of certain general and limited partnership interests and other assets to the Partnership pursuant to the Formation/Contribution Agreement dated as of September 7, 1997 by and among the Company, H/SIC Corporation, Strategic Facility Investors, Inc., South Brunswick Investment Company, LLC, Comcourt investment Corporation and Gateway Shannon Development Corporation, as the same may at any time be amended, modified and supplemented and in effect (the "Contribution Agreement");

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Partnership Agreement (as defined below) the Holders of Preferred Units have the right to convert them into Partnership Units as and to the extent set forth in the Partnership Agreement;

WHEREAS, on October [14], 1997, Royale became the sole general partner of the Partnership and executed a registration rights agreement with terms substantially the same as this Agreement;

WHEREAS, on October [14], 1997 certain Holders become owners of shares of Common Stock pursuant to the Contribution Agreement in consideration of assets transferred to the Company;

WHEREAS, on the date hereof, the Company has succeeded by merger to all of the rights and obligations of Royale and each share of Common Stock has been converted into the right to receive one Common Share;

WHEREAS, on the date hereof, the Common Shares are publicly held and traded and the Company is an issuer which is subject to the reporting requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended from time to time (the "Exchange Act");

WHEREAS, in connection with the foregoing, the Company wishes to confirm its obligations and has agreed, subject to the terms, conditions and limitations set forth in this Agreement, to provide the Holders with certain

registration rights in respect of Common Shares either issued (x) pursuant to the Contribution Agreement or (y) upon redemption of Partnership Units as and to the extent set forth in that certain Limited Partnership Agreement of the Partnership dated October 14, 1997 among the sole general and initial limited

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partners party thereto, as the same has been, and may be further, amended, modified or supplemented from time to time and in effect (the "Partnership Agreement").

NOW, THEREFORE, the Company and the Partnership for the benefit of the Holders each agrees as follows:

Section 1. Definitions.

As used in this Agreement, the following capitalized defined terms shall have the following meanings:

Commission: The Securities and Exchange Commission.

Common Shares: Common shares of beneficial interest, \$0.01 par value, of the Company.

Contribution Agreement: As set forth in the preamble.

Contributions: As set forth in the preamble.

Exchange Act: As set forth in the preamble.

Holder or Holders: As set forth in the preamble.

 $\mbox{Holders Entitled to Registration Rights: As set forth in Section 2 (b).} \label{eq:holders}$

Indemnitee: A Holder of Registerable Securities covered by a registration statement filed with the Commission as provided in this Agreement pursuant to Sections 2, 4 or 5 hereof.

Majority Holders: At any time, Holders of Registrable Securities, Preferred Units then convertible into Partnership Units and Partnership Units then redeemable for Registrable Securities who, if all such Preferred Units were converted and all such Partnership Units were so redeemed, would then hold a majority of the Registrable Securities.

Minimum Registrable Amount: At any date of determination, Registrable Securities having an aggregate fair market value of at least \$3 million.

NASD: The National Association of Securities Dealers, Inc.

Partnership: As set forth in the preamble.

Partnership Agreement: As set forth in the preamble.

Partnership Units: As set forth in the Partnership Agreement.

Person: Any individual, partnership, corporation, limited liability company, trust or other legal entity.

Preferred Units: As set forth in the Partnership Agreement.

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Prospectus: A prospectus included in a Registration Statement, including any preliminary prospectus, and any such prospectus as amended or supplemented by any prospectus supplement with respect to the terms of the offering of any portion of the Registrable Securities covered by such Registration Statement, and by all other amendments and supplements to such prospectus, including post-effective amendments, and in each case including all material incorporated by reference therein.

Registrable Securities: The Shares, excluding (i) Shares as to which a Registration Statement shall have become effective under the Securities Act pursuant to Section 2, 3 or 4 of this Agreement and which shall have been disposed of under such Registration Statement, (ii) Shares sold or otherwise distributed pursuant to Rule 144 under the Securities Act and (iii) Shares as to which registration under the Securities Act is not required to permit the sale thereof to the public.

Sale Period: The 45-day period immediately following the filing with the Commission by the Company of an annual report of the Company on Form 10-K or a quarterly report of the Company on Form 10-Q or such other period

as the Company may determine from time to time.

Securities Act: The Securities Act of 1933, as amended from time to time.

Shares: The Common Shares issued to Holders of Partnership Units upon redemption of their Partnership Units pursuant to the Partnership Agreement or to Holders pursuant to the Contribution Agreement.

Shelf Registration: A "shelf" registration of the Registrable Securities under Rule 415 under the Securities Act.

Shelf Registration Statement: Shall mean a "shelf" registration statement of the Company and any other entity required to be a registrant with respect to such shelf registration statement pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act which covers all of the Registrable Securities then issued and outstanding or which may thereafter be issued in redemption of any Partnership Units (including, without limitation, Units issuable upon conversion of Preferred Units) on an appropriate form under Rule 415 under the Securities Act, or any similar rule that may be adopted by the Commission, and all amendments and supplements to such registration statement, including post-effective amendments, in each case including the Prospectus contained therein, all exhibits thereto and all materials incorporated by reference therein.

Units: Preferred Units and Partnership Units, collectively.

Section 2. Shelf Registration Under the Securities Act.

(a) Filing of Shelf Registration Statement. By August [14], 1998 and by each March 31 after such initial filing, the Company shall cause to be filed a Shelf Registration Statement covering the sale by the then Holders of all of the Registrable Securities then held by them in accordance with the terms hereof and will use its reasonable best efforts to cause each such Shelf Registration Statement to be declared effective by the Commission as soon as reasonably practicable. The Company agrees to use its reasonable best efforts to keep each such Shelf Registration Statement continuously effective under the Securities Act until such time as the aggregate number of Registrable Securities covered by all such Shelf Registration Statements and then outstanding (computed for this purpose as if all outstanding Preferred Units have been converted into Partnership Units and all thereafter outstanding Partnership Units have been redeemed for Common Shares) is less than 5% of the then outstanding Common Shares (computed as aforesaid and including, without limitation, Common Shares issuable in respect of Retained Interests (as defined in the Contribution Agreement)), and further agrees

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to supplement or amend each such Shelf Registration Statement, if and as required by the rules, regulations or instructions applicable to the registration form used by the Company for such Shelf Registration Statement or by the Securities Act or by any other rules and regulations thereunder for a Shelf Registration. Each Holder who sells Shares as part of any such Shelf Registration shall be deemed to have agreed to all of the terms and conditions of this Agreement and to have agreed to perform any an all obligations of a Holder hereunder.

(b) Inclusion in Shelf Registration Statement. Not later than 30 days prior to filing the Shelf Registration Statement with the Commission, the Company shall notify each then Holder of Registrable Securities (including any Person who is then entitled to become a Holder pursuant to the Partnership Agreement by reason of owning Units or Preferred Units, including, without limitation, Persons holding Retained Interests) ("Holders Entitled to Registration Rights") of its intention to make such filing and request advice from each such Holder as to whether such Holder desires to have Registrable Securities held by it or which it is entitled to receive not later than the last day of the first Sale Period occurring in whole or in part after the date of such notice included in the Shelf Registration Statement at such time; provided, however, that the Company shall not be required to so notify any such Holder in respect of Registrable Securities previously registered pursuant to a Shelf Registration Statement filed in accordance with this Section 2 which such Holder could then dispose of pursuant to such Registrable Securities. Any such Holder who is so notified and does not provide the information reasonably requested by the Company in connection with the preparation of the Shelf Registration Statement as promptly as practicable after receipt of such notice, but in no event later than 20 days thereafter, shall not be entitled to have its Registrable Securities included in such Shelf Registration Statement at the time it becomes effective, but shall have the right thereafter to deliver to the Company a Registration Notice as contemplated by Section 3(b).

Section 3. Shelf Registration Procedures.

In connection with the obligations of the Company with respect to

each Shelf Registration Statement pursuant to Section 2 hereof, the Company shall:

- (a) prepare and file with the SEC, within the time period set forth in Section 2(a) hereof, a Shelf Registration Statement, which Shelf Registration Statement (i) shall be available for the sale of the Registrable Securities covered thereby in accordance with the intended method or methods of distribution by the selling Holders thereof and (ii) shall comply as to form in all material respects with the requirements of the applicable form and include all financial statements required by the Commission to be filed therewith.
- (b) subject to the last three sentences of this Section 3(b) and to Section 3(i) hereof, (i) prepare and file with the Commission such amendments and post-effective amendments to such Shelf Registration Statement as may be necessary to keep such Shelf Registration Statement effective for the applicable period; (ii) cause each Prospectus to be supplemented by any required prospectus supplement, and as so supplemented to be filed pursuant to Rule 424 or any similar rule that may be adopted under the Securities Act; (iii) respond promptly to any comments received from the Commission with respect to such Shelf Registration Statement, or any amendment, post-effective amendment or supplement relating thereto; and (iv) comply with the provisions of the Securities Act with respect to the disposition of all securities covered by such Shelf Registration Statement during the applicable period in accordance with the intended method or methods of distribution by the selling Holders thereof. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained herein, the Company shall not be required to take any of the actions described in clauses (i), (ii) or (iii) above with respect to a particular Holder of Registrable Securities unless and until the Company has received either a written notice (a "Registration No-

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tice") from such Holder that it intends to make offers or sales under such Shelf Registration Statement as specified in such Registration Notice or a written response from such Holder of the type contemplated by Section 2(b); provided, however, that the Company shall have 7 business days to prepare and file any such amendment or supplement after receipt of a Registration Notice. Once a Holder has delivered such a written response or a Registration Notice to the Company, such Holder shall promptly provide to the Company such information as the Company reasonably requests in order to identify such Holder and the method of distribution in a post-effective amendment to such Shelf Registration Statement or a supplement to a Prospectus. Offers or sales under such Shelf Registration Statement may be made only during a Sale Period. Such Holder also shall notify the Company in writing upon completion of such offer or sale or at such time as such Holder no longer intends to make offers or sales under such Shelf Registration Statement.

- (c) furnish to each Holder of Registrable Securities that has delivered a Registration Notice to the Company, without charge, as many copies of each applicable Prospectus, including each preliminary Prospectus, and any amendment or supplement thereto and such other documents as such Holder may reasonably request, in order to facilitate the public sale or other disposition of the Registrable Securities; the Company consents to the use of such Prospectus, including each preliminary Prospectus, by each such Holder of Registrable Securities in connection with the offering and sale of the Registrable Securities covered by such Prospectus or the preliminary Prospectus.
- (d) use its reasonable best efforts to register or qualify the Registrable Securities covered thereby by the time such Shelf Registration Statement is declared effective by the Commission under all applicable state securities or "blue sky" laws of such jurisdictions as any Holder of Registrable Securities covered by such Shelf Registration Statement shall reasonably request in writing, keep each such registration or qualification effective during the period such Shelf Registration Statement is required to be kept effective or during the period offers or sales are being made by a Holder that has delivered a Registration Notice to the Company, whichever is shorter, and do any and all other acts and things which may be reasonably necessary or advisable to enable such Holder to consummate the disposition in each such jurisdiction of such Registrable Securities then owned by such Holder (after giving effect to the redemption of Partnership Units then held by such Holder); provided, however, that the Company shall not be required (i) to qualify generally to do business in any jurisdiction or to register as a broker or dealer in such jurisdiction where it would not be required so to qualify or register but for this Section 3(d), (ii) to subject itself to taxation in any such jurisdiction or (iii) to submit to the general service of process in any such jurisdiction.
- (e) notify each Holder when such Shelf Registration Statement has become effective and notify each Holder of Registrable Securities that has

delivered a Registration Notice to the Company promptly and, if requested by such Holder, confirm such advice in writing (i) when any post-effective amendments and supplements to such Shelf Registration Statement become effective, (ii) of the issuance by the Commission or any state securities authority of any stop order suspending the effectiveness of such Shelf Registration Statement or the initiation of any proceedings for that purpose, (iii) if the Company receives any notification with respect to the suspension of the qualification of the Registrable Securities for sale in any jurisdiction or the initiation of any proceeding for such purpose and (iv) of the happening of any event during the period such Shelf Registration Statement is effective as a result of which such Shelf Registration Statement or a related Prospectus contains any untrue statement of a material fact or omits to state any material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statements therein (in the case of the Prospectus, in light of the circumstances under which they were made) not misleading.

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- $\,$ (f) make every reasonable effort to obtain the withdrawal of any order suspending the effectiveness of such Shelf Registration Statement at the earliest possible moment.
- (g) furnish to each Holder of Registrable Securities covered thereby that has delivered a Registration Notice to the Company, without charge, at least one conformed copy of such Shelf Registration Statement and any post-effective amendment thereto (without documents incorporated therein by reference or exhibits thereto, unless requested).
- (h) cooperate with the selling Holders of Registrable Securities covered thereby to facilitate the timely preparation and delivery of certificates representing Registrable Securities to be sold and not bearing any Securities Act legend; and enable certificates for such Registrable Securities to be issued for such numbers of shares and registered in such names as the selling Holders may reasonably request at least two business days prior to any sale of Registrable Securities.
- (i) subject to the last three sentences of Section 3(b) hereof, upon the occurrence of any event contemplated by Section 3(e)(iv) hereof, use its reasonable best efforts promptly to prepare and file a supplement or prepare, file and obtain effectiveness of a post-effective amendment to such Shelf Registration Statement or a related Prospectus or any document incorporated therein by reference or file any other required document so that, as thereafter delivered to the purchasers of the Registrable Securities, such Prospectus will not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading.
- (j) make available for inspection by representatives of the Holders of the Registrable Securities and any counsel or accountant retained by such Holders, all financial and other records, pertinent corporate documents and properties of the Company, and cause the respective officers, directors and employees of the Company to supply all information reasonably requested by any such representative, counsel or accountant in connection with such Shelf Registration Statement; provided, however, that such records, documents or information which the Company determines in good faith to be confidential, and notifies such representatives, counsel or accountants in writing that such records, documents or information are confidential, shall not be disclosed by the representatives, counsel or accountants unless (i) the disclosure of such records, documents or information is necessary to avoid or correct a material misstatement or omission in such Shelf Registration Statement, (ii) the release of such records, documents or information is ordered pursuant to a subpoena or other order from a court of competent jurisdiction or (iii) such records, documents or information have been generally made available to the public otherwise than in violation of this Agreement.
- (k) a reasonable time prior to the filing of any Prospectus, any amendment to such Shelf Registration Statement or amendment or supplement to a Prospectus, provide copies of such document (not including any documents incorporated by reference therein unless requested) to the Holders of Registrable Securities that have provided a Registration Notice to the Company.
- (1) use its reasonable best efforts to cause all Registrable Securities to be listed on any securities exchange on which similar securities issued by the Company are then listed.
- $\,$ (m) obtain a CUSIP number for all Registrable Securities, not later than the effective date of such Shelf Registration Statement.

- (n) otherwise use its reasonable efforts to comply with all applicable rules and regulations of the Commission and make available to its security holders, as soon as reasonably practicable, an earnings statement covering at least 12 months which shall satisfy the provisions of Section 11(a) of the Securities Act and Rule 158 thereunder.
- (o) use its reasonable best efforts to cause the Registrable Securities covered by such Shelf Registration Statement to be registered with or approved by such other governmental agencies or authorities as may be necessary by virtue of the business and operations of the Company to enable Holders that have delivered Registration Notices to the Company to consummate the disposition of such Registrable Securities.

The Company may require each Holder of Registrable Securities to furnish to the Company in writing such information regarding the proposed distribution by such Holder of such Registrable Securities as the Company may from time to time reasonably request in writing.

In connection with and as a condition to the Company's obligations with respect to any Shelf Registration Statement pursuant to Section 2 hereof and this Section 3, each Holder agrees with the Company that:

- (i) it will not offer or sell its Registrable Securities under a Shelf Registration Statement until (A) it has either (1) provided a Registration Notice pursuant to Section 3(b) hereof or (2) had Registrable Securities included in such Shelf Registration Statement at the time it became effective pursuant to Section 2(b) hereof and (B) it has received copies of the supplemented or amended Prospectus contemplated by Section 3(b) hereof and receives notice that any post-effective amendment has become effective;
- (ii) upon receipt of any notice from the Company of the happening of anv event of the kind described in Section 3(b)(iv) hereof, such Holder will forthwith discontinue disposition of Registrable Securities pursuant to such Shelf Registration Statement until such Holder receives copies of the supplemented or amended Prospectus contemplated by Section 3(i) hereof and receives notice that any post-effective amendment has become effective, and, if so directed by the Company, such Holder will deliver to the Company (at the expense of the Company) all copies in its possession, other than permanent file copies then in such Holder's possession, of the Prospectus covering such Registrable Securities current at the time of receipt of such notice;
- (iii) all offers and sales under such Shelf Registration Statement shall be completed within forty-five (45) days after the first date on which offers or sales can be made pursuant to clause (i) above, and upon expiration of such forty-five (45) day period the Holder will not offer or sell its Registrable Securities under the Shelf Registration Statement until it has again complied with the provisions of clauses (i) (A) (1) and (B) above, except that if the applicable Registration Notice was delivered to the Company at a time which was not part of a Sale Period, such forty-five (45) day period shall be the next succeeding Sale Period;
- (iv) if the Company determines in its good faith judgment, after consultation with counsel, that the filing of a Shelf Registration Statement under Section 2 hereof or the use of any Prospectus would require the disclosure of important information which the

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Company has a bona fide business purpose for preserving as confidential or the disclosure of which would impede the Company's ability to consummate a significant transaction, upon written notice of such determination by the Company, the rights of the Holders to offer, sell or distribute any Registrable Securities pursuant to a Shelf Registration Statement or Prospectus or to require the Company to take action with respect to the registration or sale of any Registrable Securities pursuant to a Shelf Registration Statement (including any action contemplated by this Section 3) will be suspended until the date upon which the Company notifies the Holders in writing that suspension of such rights for the grounds set forth in this paragraph is no longer necessary; provided, however, that the Company may not suspend such rights for an aggregate period of more than 90 days in any 12-month period; and

(v) in the case of the registration of any underwitten equity offering proposed by the Company (other than any registration by the Company on Form S-8, or a successor or substantially similar form, of (i) an employee stock option, stock purchase or compensation plan or of securities issued or issuable pursuant to any such plan or (ii) a dividend reinvestment plan), such Holder will agree, if requested in

writing by the managing underwriter or underwriters administering such offering, not to effect any offer, sale or distribution of any Registrable Securities (or any option or right to acquire Registrable Securities) (each, a "Transfer") during the period commencing on the 10th day prior to the expected effective date (which date shall be stated in such notice) of the registration statement covering such underwritten primary equity offering or, if such offering shall be a "take-down" from an effective shelf registration statement, the 10th day prior to the expected commencement date (which date shall be stated in such notice) of such offering, and ending on the date specified by such managing underwriter in such written request to such Holder; provided, however, that no Holder shall be required to agree not to Transfer its Registrable Securities for a period of time which is longer than the greater of 90 days or the period of time for which any senior executive of the Company is required so to agree in connection with such offering. Nothing in this paragraph shall be read to limit the ability of any Holder to redeem its Partnership Units for Common Shares in accordance with the Partnership Agreement.

Section 4. Piggyback Registration.

- (a) Right to Piggyback. Whenever on or after August [14], 1998 (x) the Company proposes to register any Common Shares (or securities convertible into or exchangeable or exercisable for such Common Shares) under the Securities Act for its own account or the account of any shareholder of the Company (other than offerings pursuant to employee plans, or noncash offerings in connection with a proposed acquisition, exchange offer, recapitalization or similar transaction) and (y) the registration form may be used for the registration of Registrable Securities (a "Piggyback Registration"), the Company will give prompt written notice to all of the Holders of Common Shares or Units outstanding on the date hereof (the "Original Holders") of its intention to effect such a registration and will, subject to Section 4(b) and Section 10 hereof, include in such registration all Registrable Securities with respect to which such Original Holders request in writing to be so included within 20 days after the receipt of the Company's notice; provided, however, that the Company shall not be required to give such notice or to effect such registration in respect of any Registerable Securities which have been, or are in the process of being, registered pursuant to any Shelf Registration Statement.
- (b) Priority. If a registration pursuant to this Section 4 involves an underwritten offering and the managing underwriter advises the Company in good faith that in its opinion the number of securities requested to be included in such registration exceeds the number which can be sold in such offering without

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having an adverse effect on such offering, including the price at which such securities can be sold, then the Company will be required to include in such registration the maximum number of shares that such underwriter advises can be so sold, allocated (x) first, to the securities the Company proposes to sell, (y) second, among the Common Shares requested to be included in such registration by the Original Holders (other than Registrable Securities previously registered pursuant to a Shelf Registration Statement filed in accordance with Section 2 hereof under which such Original Holder could then dispose of such Registrable Securities), considered in the aggregate (if such registration was initiated by the Company), and any other shareholder of the Company with Common Shares eligible for registration, pro rata, on the basis of the number of Common Shares such holder requests be included in such registration, and (z) third, among other securities, if any, requested and otherwise eligible to be included in such registration.

(c) Nothing contained herein shall prohibit the Company from determining, at any time, not to file a registration statement or, if filed, to withdraw such registration or terminate or abandon the registration related thereto.

Section 5. Requested Registration.

(a) Right to Request Registration. Upon the written request of Original Holders owning 6% or more of the outstanding Registrable Securities then owned in the aggregate by such Holders (the "Requesting Holders") (computed for these purposes as if all Preferred Units have been converted into Partnership Units and thereafter all outstanding Partnership Units have been redeemed for Common Shares), requesting that the Company effect the registration under the Securities Act of at least the Minimum Registration Amount, the Company shall use its best efforts to effect, as expeditiously as possible, following the prompt (but in no event later than 15 days following the receipt of such written request) delivery of notice to all Original Holders, the registration under the Securities Act of such number of shares of Registrable Securities owned by the Requesting Holders and requested by the Requesting Holders to be so registered (subject to Section 5(c) hereof), together with (x) all other Common Shares entitled to registration, and (y)

securities of the Company which the Company elects to register and offer for its own account; provided, however, that the Company shall not be required to (i) subject to Section 5(b) below, effect more than a total of three such registrations pursuant to this Agreement, (ii) file a registration statement relating to a registration request pursuant hereto within a period of six months after the effective date of any other registration statement of the Company requested hereunder (other than pursuant to Section 2) or pursuant to which the Requesting Holders shall have been given an opportunity to participate pursuant to Section 4 hereof and which opportunity they declined or which registration statement under Section 4 hereof included shares of Registrable Securities owned by Holders Entitled to Registration Rights (so long as such registration statement became and was effective for sufficient, time to permit the sales contemplated thereby) or (iii) file a registration statement relating to the registration of Registerable Securities which are already being registered pursuant to a Shelf Registration Statement; provided further, that the Company shall not be required to file a registration statement relating to an offering of Common Shares on a delayed or continuous basis pursuant to Rule 415 (or any successor rule to similar effect) promulgated under the Securities Act if the Company is not, at the time, eligible to register Common Shares on Form S-3 (or a successor form).

Notwithstanding the foregoing, if the Board of Directors of the Company determines in its good faith judgment, (x) after consultation with a nationally recognized investment banking fim, that there will be an adverse effect on a then contemplated public offering of the Company's securities, (y) that the disclosures that would be required to be made by the Company in connection with such registration would be materially harmful to the Company because of transactions then being considered by, or other events then concerning, the Company, or (z) the registration at the time would require the inclusion of pro forma or other information, which requirements the Company is reasonably unable to comply with, then the Company may defer the filing (but not

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the preparation) of the registration statement which is required to effect any registration pursuant to this Section 5 for a reasonable period of time, but not in excess of 90 calendar days (or any longer period agreed to by the Holders Entitled to Registration Rights), provided that at all times the Company is in good faith using all reasonable efforts to file such registration statement as soon as practicable.

- (b) Effective Registration. A registration requested pursuant to this Section 5 shall not be deemed to have been effected (and, therefore, not requested for purposes of Section 5(a) above) (w) unless the registration statement relating thereto has become effective under the Securities Act, (x) if after it has become effective such registration is interfered with by any stop order, injunction or other order or requirement of the Commission or other governmental agency or court for any reason other than a misrepresentation or an omission by a Holder and, as a result thereof, the shares of Registrable Securities requested to be registered cannot be completely distributed in accordance with the plan of distribution, (y) if the conditions to closing specified in the purchase agreement or underwriting agreement entered into in connection with such registration are not satisfied or waived other than by reason of some act or omission by a participating Holder or (z) if with respect to what would otherwise be deemed the third, or last, request under Section 5(a) hereof, less than all of the Common Shares that the Original Holders requested be registered were actually registered due to the operation of Section 5(c) hereof; provided that clause (z) above may not be invoked by the Original Holders unless (I) such request includes at least the Minimum Registration Amount or (II) if such request includes an amount that is less than the Minimum Registration Amount, Rule 144 under the Securities Act is not available to the Original Holders for the sale of all of the Common Shares owned by the Original Holders; and provided further that clause (z) above may be invoked only at the request of Original Holders meeting the foregoing requirements and owning more than 10% of the shares of Registrable then owned (computed as aforesaid) in the aggregate by the Original Holders.
- (c) Priority. If a requested registration pursuant to this Section 5 involves an underwritten offering and the managing underwriter shall advise the Company that in its opinion the number of securities requested to be included in such registration exceeds the number which can be sold in such offering without having an adverse effect on such offering, including the price at which such securities can be sold, then the Company will be required to include in such registration the maximum number of shares that such underwriter advises can be so sold, allocated (x) first, among all Common Shares requested by the Original Holders to be included in such registration, pro rata on the basis of the number of Common Shares then owned by each of them (or, if such holder requests that less than all of the Common Shares owned by such holder be included in such registration, such lesser number of shares) (y) second, to any securities requested to be included in such registration by any other shareholder of the Company having registration rights and (z) third, to any securities the Company proposes to sell.

Section 6. Registration Procedures. If and whenever the Company is required to use its best efforts to effect or cause the registration of any Registrable Securities under the Securities Act as provided in this Agreement pursuant to Section 4 or 5 hereof, the Company shall:

(a) prepare and file with the Commission as expeditiously as possible but in no event later than 90 days after receipt of a request for registration with respect to such Registrable Securities, a registration statement on any form for which the Company then qualifies or which counsel for the Company shall deem appropriate, which form shall be available for the sale of the Registrable Securities in accordance with the intended methods of distribution thereof, and use its best efforts to cause such registration statement to become effective; provided that before filing with the Commission a registration statement or prospectus or any amendments or supplements thereto, including documents incorporated by reference after the initial filing of any registration statement, the Company shall (x) fur-

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nish to each participating Holder and to one firm of attorneys selected collectively by the participating Holders and the holders of other securities covered by such registration statement, but in no event to more than one such counsel for all such selling securityholders, copies of all such documents proposed to be filed, which documents shall be subject to the review of the participating Holders and such counsel, and (y) notify the participating Holders of any stop order issued or threatened by the Commission and take all reasonable actions required to prevent the entry of such stop order or to remove it if entered;

- (b) prepare and file with the Commission such amendments and supplements to such registration statement and the prospectus used in connection therewith as may be necessary to keep such registration statement effective for a period of not less than 180 days or such shorter period which shall terminate when all Registrable Securities covered by such registration statement have been sold (but not before the expiration of the 90-day period referred to in Section 4(3) of the Securities Act and Rule 174, or any successor thereto, thereunder, if applicable), and comply with the provisions of the Securities Act with respect to the disposition of all securities covered by such registration statement during such period in accordance with the intended methods of disposition by the sellers thereof set forth in such registration statement;
- (c) furnish, without charge, to the participating Holders and each underwriter, if any, such number of copies of such registration statement, each amendment and supplement thereto (including one conformed copy to each participating Holder and one signed copy to each managing underwriter and in each case including all exhibits thereto), and the prospectus included in such registration statement (including each preliminary prospectus), in conformity with the requirements of the Securities Act, and such other documents as the participating Holders may reasonably request in order to facilitate the disposition of the Registrable Securities registered thereunder;
- (d) use its best efforts to register or qualify such Registrable Securities covered by such registration statement under such other securities or blue sky laws of such jurisdiction as the participating Holders, and the managing underwriter, if any, reasonably requests and do any and all other acts and things which may be reasonable necessary or advisable to enable the participating Holders and each underwriter, if any, to consummate the disposition in such jurisdiction of the Registrable Securities registered thereunder; provided that the Company shall not be required to (x) qualify generally to do business in any jurisdiction where it would not otherwise be required to qualify but for this Section 6(d), (y) subject itself to taxation in any such jurisdiction or (z) consent to general service of process in any such jurisdiction;
- (e) use its best efforts to cause the Registrable Securities covered by such registration statement to be registered with or approved by such insurance regulatory authorities may be necessary by virtue of the business and operations of the Company to enable the participating Holders and other holders, if any, of securities covered by such registration statement to consummate the disposition of Registrable Securities registered thereunder;
- (f) immediately notify the managing underwriter, if any, and the participating Holders at any time when a prospectus relating thereto is required to be delivered under the Securities Act, of the happening of any event which comes to the Company's attention if as a result of such event the prospectus included in such registration statement contains an

untrue statement of a material fact or omits to state any material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statements therein not misleading, and the Company shall promptly prepare and furnish to the participating Holders and any

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other holder of securities covered by such registration statement and prospectus a supplement or amendment to such prospectus so that as thereafter delivered, such prospectus shall not contain an untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state any material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statements therein not misleading; provided, however, that if the Company determines in good faith that the disclosure that would be required to be made by the Company would be materially harmful to the Company because of transactions then being considered by, or other events then concerning, the Company, or a supplement or amendment to such prospectus at such time would require the inclusion of pro forma or other information, which requirement the Company is reasonably unable to comply with, then the Company may defer for a reasonable period of time, not to exceed 90 days, furnishing to the participating Holders and any other holder of securities covered by such registration statement and prospectus a supplement or amendment to such prospectus; provided, further, that at all times the Company is in good faith using all reasonable efforts to file such amendment as soon as practicable,

- (g) use its best efforts to cause all such securities being registered to be listed on each securities exchange on which similar securities issued by the Company are then listed, and enter into such customary agreements including a listing application and indemnification agreement in customary form (provided that the applicable listing requirements are satisfied), and to provide a transfer agent and register for such Registrable Securities covered by such registration statement no later than the effective date of such registration statement:
- (h) make available for inspection by any of the participating Holders and any holder of securities covered by such registration statement, any underwriter participating in any distribution pursuant to such registration statement, and any attorney, accountant or other agent retained by such persons (collectively, the "Inspectors"), all financial and other records of the Company and its subsidiaries (collectively, "Records"), if any, as shall be reasonably necessary to enable them to exercise their due diligence responsibility, and cause the Company's and its subsidiaries' officers, directors and employees to supply all information and respond to all inquiries reasonably requested by any such Inspector in connection with such registration statement. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Company shall have no obligation to disclose any Records to the Inspector in the event the Company determines that such disclosure is reasonably likely to have an adverse effect on the Company's ability to assert the existence of an attorney-client privilege with respect thereto;
- (i) if requested, use its best efforts to obtain a "cold comfort" letter and a "bring-down cold comfort" letter from the Company's independent public accountants in customary form and covering such matters of the type customarily covered by such letters;
- (j) enter into a form of underwriting agreement that contains customary terms and provisions for similar securities offerings;
- (k) make available senior management personnel to participate in, and cause them to cooperate with the underwriters in connection with, "road show" and other customary marketing activities, including "one-on-one" meetings with prospective purchasers of the Registrable Securities; and
- (1) otherwise use its best efforts to comply with all applicable rules and regulations of the Commission, and make available to its security holders, as soon as reasonably practicable, an earnings statement covering a period of at least 12 months, beginning with the first month after the effective date of the registration statement (as the term "effective date" is defined in Rule 158(c) under the Securities

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Act), which earnings statement shall satisfy the provisions of Section 11 (a) of the Securities Act and Rule 158 thereunder.

It shall be a condition precedent to the obligation of the Company to take any action pursuant to this Agreement in respect of Registrable Securities which are to be registered at the request of any of the participating Holders that the participating Holders shall fumish to the

Company such information regarding the securities held by the participating Holders and the intended method of disposition thereof as the Company shall reasonably request and as shall be required in connection with the action taken by the Company.

Each of the Holders agrees that, upon receipt of any notice from the Company of the happening of any event of the kind described in Section 6(f) hereof, the Holders shall discontinue disposition of Registrable Securities pursuant to the registration statement covering such Registrable Securities until receipt of the copies of the supplemented or amended prospectus contemplated by Section 6(f) hereof or until otherwise notified by the Company, and, if so directed by the Company, the participating Holders shall deliver to the Company (at the Company's expense) all copies (including, without limitation, any and all drafts), other than permanent file copies, then in any participating Holder's possession, of the prospectus covering such Registrable Securities at the time of receipt of such notice. In the event the Company shall give any such notice, the period specified in Section 6(b) hereof shall be extended by the greater of (x) three months of (y) the number of days during the period from and including the date of the giving of such notice pursuant to Section 6(f) hereof to and including the date when each of the participating Holders shall have received the copies of the supplemented or amended prospectus contemplated by, Section 6(f) hereof.

Section 7. Selection or Underwriters. If any offering pursuant to a registration statement is to be an underwritten offering, the Company will select a managing underwriter or underwriters to administer the offering, provided that in the case of a registration statement pursuant to Section 5 hereof, the Original Holders holding more than 50% of the shares of Registrable Securities held by the Original Holders to be included in such underwritten offering shall select the managing underwriter or underwriters, subject to the consent of the Company which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld or delayed.

Registration Expenses. The Company shall pay, in Section 8. connection with any registration pursuant to Section 2, 4 or 5, the following registration expenses incurred in connection therewith: (i) all Commission, stock exchange or NASD registration and filing fees, (ii) all fees and expenses of compliance with securities or blue sky laws (including reasonable fees and disbursements of counsel in connection with the blue sky qualifications of the Registrable Securities), (iii) printing expenses, (iv) internal expenses (including without limitation, all salaries and expenses of its officers and employees performing legal or accounting duties), (v) the fees and expenses incurred in connection with the listing of the Registrable Securities on any national securities exchange or interdealer quotation system, (vi) the reasonable fees and disbursements of counsel for the Company and customary fees and expenses for independent certified public accountants retained by the Company (including the expenses of any comfort letters or costs associated with the delivery by independent certified public accountants of a comfort letter or comfort letters), (vii) the reasonable fees and disbursements of not more than one firm of attorneys acting as legal counsel for (x) all of the selling shareholders, collectively, in respect of a registration pursuant to Section 4 hereof or (y) all of the participating Holders, collectively, in respect of a registration pursuant to Section 5 hereof, (viii) the fees and expenses of any registrar and transfer agent for the Common Shares, (ix) the underwriting fees, discounts and commissions applicable to any Common Shares sold for the account of the Company and (\mathbf{x}) all expenses of any Person in preparing or assisting in preparing, word processing, printing and distributing any registration statement, prospectus, certificates and other documents relating to the performance of and compliance with this Agreement. Except as otherwise provided in clause (ix)

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of this Section 8, the Company shall have no obligation to pay any underwriting fees, discounts or commissions attributable to the sale of Registrable Securities.

Section 9. Indemnification; Contribution.

(a) The Company agrees to indemnify and hold harmless each Indemnitee from and against any and all losses, claims, damages, liabilities and expenses (including reasonable costs of investigation) arising out of or based upon any untrue statement or alleged untrue statement of a material fact contained in any prepricing prospectus, registration statement or prospectus or in any amendment or supplement thereto, or arising out of or based upon any omission or alleged omission to state therein a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statements therein not misleading, except insofar as such losses, claims, damages, liabilities or expenses arise out of or are based upon any untrue statement or omission or alleged untrue statement or omission which has been made therein or omitted therefrom in reliance upon and in conformity with the information relating to a participating Holder furnished in writing to the Company by or on behalf of a participating Holder expressly for use in connection therewith. The foregoing indemnity agreement shall be in addition to any liability which the

- (b) If any action, suit or proceeding shall be brought against an Indemnitee in respect of which indemnity may be sought against the Company, such Indemnitee shall promptly notify the Company, and the Company shall assume the defense thereof, including the employment of counsel and payment of all fees and expenses. The Indemnitee shall have the right to employ separate counsel in any such action, suit or proceeding and to participate in the defense thereof, but the fees and expenses of such counsel shall be at the expense of such Indemnitee unless (x) the Company has agreed in writing to pay such fees and expenses, (y) the Company has failed to assume the defense and employ counsel, or (z) the named parties to any such action, suit or proceeding (including any impleaded parties) include both such Indemnitee and the Company, and such Indemnitee shall have been advised by its counsel that representation of such Indemnitee and the Company by the same counsel would be inappropriate under applicable standards of professional conduct (whether or not such representation by the same counsel has been proposed) due to actual or potential differing interests between them (in which case the Company shall not have the right to assume the defense of such action, suit or proceeding on behalf of such Indemnitee). It is understood, however, that the Company shall, in connection with any one such action, suit or proceeding or separate but substantially similar or related actions, suits or proceedings in the same jurisdiction arising out of the same general allegations or circumstances, be liable for the reasonable fees and expenses of only one separate firm of attorneys (in addition to any local counsel) at any time for all such Indemnitees not having actual or potential differing interests among themselves, and that all such fees and expenses shall be reimbursed as they are incurred. The Company shall not be liable for any settlement of any such action, suit or proceeding effected without its written consent, but if settled with such written consent, or if there be a final judgment for the plaintiff in any such action, suit or proceeding, the Company agrees to indemnify and hold harmless such Indemnitee, to the extent provided in the preceding paragraph, from and against any loss, claim, damage, liability or expense by reason of such settlement or judgment.
- (c) Each of the participating Holders, severally and not jointly, agree to indemnify and hold harmless the Company, its directors, its officers who sign the registration statement, and any person who controls the Company within the meaning of Section 15 of the Securities Act or Section 20 of the Exchange Act, to the same extent as the foregoing indemnity from the Company to an Indemnitee, but only with respect to information relating to such Holder furnished in writing by or on behalf of such Holder expressly for use in the registration statement, prospectus or any prepricing prospectus, or any

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amendment or supplement thereto. If any action, suit or proceeding shall be brought against the Company, any of its directors, any such officer, or any such controlling person based on the registration statement, prospectus or any prepricing prospectus, or any amendment or supplement thereto, and in respect of which indemnity may be sought against any Holder pursuant to this Section 9(c), such Holder shall have the rights and duties given to the Company by Section 9(b) hereof (except that if the Company shall have assumed the defense thereof such Holder shall not be required to do so, but may employ separate counsel therein and participate in the defense thereof, but the fees and expenses of such counsel shall be at the Holder's expense), and the Company, its directors, any such officer, and any such controlling person shall have the rights and duties given to an Indemnitee by Section 9(b) hereof. The foregoing indemnity agreement shall be in addition to any liability which the participating Holders may otherwise have.

- (d) If the indemnification provided for in this Section 9 is unavailable to an indemnified party under paragraphs (a) or (c) hereof in respect of any losses, claims, damages, liabilities or expenses referred to therein. then an indemnifying party, in lieu of indemnifying such indemnified party, shall contribute to the amount paid or payable by such indemnified party as a result of such losses, claims, damages, liabilities or expenses in such proportion as is appropriate to reflect the relative fault of the Company and of the participating Holders in connection with the statements or omissions that resulted in such losses, claims, damages, liabilities or expenses. The relative fault of the Company on the one hand and a participating Holder on the other hand shall be determined by reference to, among other things, whether the untrue or alleged untrue statement of a material fact or the omission or alleged omission to state a material fact relates to information supplied by the Company on the one hand or by such participating Holder on the other hand and the parties' relative intent, knowledge, access or information and opportunity to correct or prevent such statement or omission.
- (e) The Company and the participating Holders agree that it would not be just and equitable if contribution pursuant to this Section 9 were

determined by a pro rata allocation or by any other method of allocation that does not take account of the equitable considerations referred to in Section 9(d) hereof. The amount paid or payable by an indemnified party as a result of the losses, claims, damages, liabilities and expenses referred to in Section 9(d) hereof shall be deemed to include, subject to the limitations set forth above, any legal or other expenses reasonably incurred by such indemnified party in connection with investigating any claim or defending any such action, suit or proceeding. Notwithstanding the provisions of this Section 9, no participating Holder shall be required to contribute any amount in excess of the amount by which the proceeds to such participating Holder exceeds the amount of any damages which such participating Holder has otherwise been required to pay by reason of such untrue or alleged untrue statement or omission or alleged omission. No person guilty of fraudulent misrepresentation (within the meaning of Section 11(f) of the Securities Act) shall be entitled to contribution from any person who was not guilty of such fraudulent misrepresentation.

- (f) No indemnifying party shall, without the prior written consent of the indemnified party, effect any settlement of any pending or threatened action, suit or proceeding in respect of which any indemnified party is or could have been a party and indemnity could have been sought hereunder by such indemnified party, unless such settlement includes an unconditional release of such indemnified party from all liability on claims that are the subject matter of such action, suit or proceeding.
- (g) Any losses, claims, damages, liabilities or expenses for which an indemnified party is entitled to indemnification or contribution under this Section 9 shall be paid by the indemnifying party to the indemnified party as such losses, claims, damages, liabilities or expenses are incurred. The indemnity and contribution agreements contained in this Section 9 shall remain operative and in full force and effect, regardless of (i) any investigation made by or on behalf of an Indemnitee, the Company, its directors or officers, or any person controlling the Company, and (ii) any termination of this Agreement.

Section 10. Participation in Underwritten Registrations. An Original Holder may not participate in any underwritten offering pursuant to Section 4 or 5 hereof unless such Holder (i) agrees to sell its

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Registrable Securities on the basis provided in any underwriting arrangements which, to the extent applicable solely to the participating Original Holders, are approved by the participating Original Holders in their reasonable discretion or which, to the extent applicable to the Company and the participating Original Holders, are approved by the Company in its reasonable discretion and (ii) completes and executes all questionnaires, powers of attorney, indemnities, underwriting agreements and other documents (including lock-up agreements) reasonably required under the terms of such underwriting arrangements which are not inconsistent with the terms of this Agreement.

Section 11. Other Registration Rights. The Company agrees that it shall not enter into any agreement which provides registration rights to any Person that are inconsistent with the provisions contained in this Agreement. If the Company does become a party to such an agreement, the Company agrees that to the extent that the provisions of such agreement conflict with this Agreement, the provisions of this Agreement shall control.

Section 12. Rule 144 Sales.

- (a) The Company covenants that it will file the reports required to be filed by the Company under the Securities Act and the Exchange Act, so as to enable any Holder to sell Registrable Securities pursuant to Rule 144 under the Securities Act.
- (b) In connection with any sale, transfer or other disposition by any Holder of any Registrable Securities pursuant to Rule 144 under the Securities Act, the Company shall cooperate with such Holder to facilitate the timely preparation and delivery of certificates representing Registrable Securities to be sold and not bearing any Securities Act legend, and enable certificates for such Registrable Securities to be for such number of shares and registered in such names as the selling Holders may reasonably request at least two business days prior to any sale of Registrable Securities.

Section 13. Miscellaneous.

(a) Amendments and Waivers. The provisions of this Agreement, including the provisions of this sentence, may not be amended, modified or supplemented, and waivers or consents to departures from the provisions hereof may not be given without the written consent of the Company and Holders constituting Majority Holders; provided, however, that no amendment, modification or supplement or waiver or consent to the departure with respect to the provisions of Sections 1 through 12, inclusive, hereof or which would impair the rights of any Holder under such provisions, shall be effective as

against any Holder of Registrable Securities, Preferred Units or Partnership Units unless consented to in writing by such Holder of Registrable Securities, Preferred Units or Partnership Units. Notice of any amendment, modification or supplement to this Agreement adopted in accordance with this Section 13(a) shall be provided by Company to each Holder of Registrable Securities, Preferred Units or Partnership Units at least thirty (30) days prior to the effective date of such amendment, modification or supplement.

(b) Notices. All notices and other communications provided for or permitted hereunder shall be made in writing by hand delivery, registered first-class mail, telex, telecopier or any courier guaranteeing overnight delivery, (i) if to a Holder, at the most current address given by such Holder to the Company by means of a notice given in accordance with the provisions of this Section 13(b), which address initially is, with respect to each Holder, the address set forth in the Partnership Agreement, or (ii) if to the Company, at One Logan Square, Suite 1105, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

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All such notices and communications shall be deemed to have been duly given: at the time delivered by hand, if personally delivered; five business days after being deposited in the mail, postage prepaid, if mailed; when answered back, if telexed; when receipt is acknowledged, if telecopied; or at the time delivered if delivered by an air courier guaranteeing overnight delivery.

- (c) Successors and Assigns. This Agreement shall inure to the benefit of and be binding upon the successors, assigns and transferees of each of the Company and the Holders, including without limitation and without the need for an express assignment, subsequent Holders. If any successor, assignee or transferee of any Holder shall acquire Registrable Securities, in any manner, whether by operation of law or otherwise, such Registrable Securities shall be held subject to all of the terms of this Agreement, and by taking and holding such Registrable Securities such Person shall be entitled to receive the benefits hereof and shall be conclusively deemed to have agreed to be bound by all of the terms and provisions hereof.
- (e) GOVERNING LAW. THIS AGREEMENT SHALL BE GOVERNED BY AND CONSTRUED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE WITHOUT GIVING EFFECT TO THE CONFLICTS OF LAW PROVISIONS THEREOF.
- (f) Specific Performance. The Company and the Holders acknowledge that there would be no adequate remedy at law if any party fails to perform any of its obligations hereunder, and accordingly agree that the Company and each Holder, in addition to any other remedy to which it may be entitled at law or in equity, shall be entitled to compel specific performance of the obligations of another under this Agreement in accordance with the terms and conditions of this Agreement in any court of the United States or any State thereof having jurisdiction.
- (g) Entire Agreement. This Agreement is intended by the Company as a final expression of its agreement and is intended to be a complete and exclusive statement of the agreement and understanding of the Company in respect of the subject matter contained herein. This Agreement supersedes all prior agreements and understandings of the Company with respect to such subject matter.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Company has executed this Agreement as of the date first written above.

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By:	
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