such building or improvement had been commenced before such erection or alteration is substantially completed, such prior approval will not be required and this covenant will be deemed to have been fully complied with and no suit or claim will be available to said Committee, nor to any lot owner or other person. The term "building or improvement" shall be deemed to include the erection, placement, or alteration of any outbuilding, wall or fence to be made in any lot.

its members to approve or ratify in the construction or alteration of any building minor violations of the requirements herein set forth under Section II, "Setbacks, Location and Size of Improvements and Lots", if in the opinion of all the members of the Committee the same shall be necessary to prevent undue hardship because of topography, the shape of any platted lot or the setback lines as shown on the recorded Plat, and if in the opinion of the members of the Committee such violation will cause no substantial injury to any other lot owner. In no event may the Committee approve or ratify a violation of the front setback line of more than 5 feet or of the main building side line restriction of more than 4 feet or of the restrictions as to building size imposed by Section II hereof. The approval of ratification by the Committee in accordance with this paragraph shall be binding on all persons.

IV. EASEMENTS.

1. An easement is reserved over the rear and side lot lines
5 feet in width on each lot for the installation, operation and maintenance
of utilities and for drainage purposes. Such easements across the lots as
are shown on the recorded plat are also reserved.

The easements herein provided for shall include the right to cut trees, grade swales or ditches, lay drain pipes or do such other things as may be reasonably required to provide for necessary drainage.

V. MISCELLANEOUS.

1. No signs shall be permitted on any residential lots except that a single sign offering property for sale or for rent may be placed on any such lot provided such sign is not more than 24 inches wide by 20 inches high.

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