Date: November 13, 2018

To: Cougar Ridge Homeowners

From: Cougar Ridge Homeowners' Association Board of Directors

Subject: Cougar Ridge Homeowners' Association Complaint Process Policy

<u>Purpose</u>: To define and establish a clear policy for homeowners to understand their rights for making or responding to complaints derived from perceived violations of the Covenants, Conditions and Restrictions (CC&Rs).

Per RCW 64.38.020, the CRHOA Board has adopted Covenants, Conditions, and Restrictions (CC&Rs), along with Bylaws, Rules and Regulations. These documents provide guidance for adhering to state laws around operating homeowners' associations. The CRHOA Board of directors believe a clear and fair process for supporting these documents is valuable and to that end have created this policy that defines a process for receiving complaints, assessing their viability and determining next steps for remedy. It assumes the posture of approaching problems from a complaint-driven perspective.

<u>Process</u>: The CRHOA Board encourages homeowners to discuss directly their complaints with neighbors who appear to be in violation of the CC&Rs. Failing relief by this method, the following process is established to assist in addressing and reaching resolution.

- 1. All complaints will be in written form for the sake of documentation. The CRHOA Board of Directors will receive communications in any of these forms:
 - a. CRHOA (via USPS)5948 Capitol Forest Dr. SWOlympia, WA 98512
 - b. via email crhoabod6@gmail.com
 - c. written letter hand delivered to the Board of Directors
- 2. Upon receipt of a complaint, the lead Board member will:
 - a. forward immediately copy of the complaint to all Board members.
 - b. acknowledge receipt to complainant indicating the matter will be addressed at the next Board meeting or as soon as practical if urgency is required.
 - c. bring the matter to the next board meeting to determine the complaints viability and inform the complainant of next steps to be taken by the Board.
 - d. initiate if required, the Governing Documents Process.
 - e. store all materials pertinent to the complaint in the associated lot file for current and future reference.