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Subject: North Central Florida Association of the Deaf, Inc.

Enclosed is an original and one (1) copy of the articles of incorporation and a check for \$87.50 (Filing fee, Certified Copy and Certificate of Status.

From: Stephen J. Hardy, II
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December 22, 2000

STEPHEN J. HARDY, II
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SUBJECT: NORTH CENTRAL FLORIDA ASSOCIATION OF THE DEAF, INC.
Ref. Number: W00000030005

We have received your document for NORTH CENTRAL FLORIDA ASSOCIATION OF THE DEAF, INC. and your check(s) totaling \$87.50. However, the enclosed document has not been filed and is being returned for the following correction(s):

The document must contain written acceptance by the registered agent, (i.e. "I hereby am familiar with and accept the duties and responsibilities as Registered Agent.")

The registered agent must sign accepting the designation.

We regret that we were unable to contact you by phone. Please return the corrected document with a letter providing us with a telephone number where you can be reached during working hours.

Please return the original and one copy of your document, along with a copy of this letter, within 60 days or your filing will be considered abandoned.

If you have any questions concerning the filing of your document, please call (850) 487-6915.

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**ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION
OF
NORTH CENTRAL FLORIDA ASSOCIATION OF THE DEAF, INC.**

The undersigned, acting as incorporator, for the purpose of forming a corporation under **The Florida Not for Profit Corporation Act**, hereby adopt(s) the following articles of incorporation:

ARTICLE 1

The name of the corporation shall be: **North Central Florida Association of the Deaf, Inc.**

ARTICLE 2

The principal place of business and mailing address of this corporation shall be: **802 NW Seminary Street, Micanopy, Florida 32609, Mailing address: Post Office Box 651, Archer, Florida 32618-0651**

ARTICLE 3

This corporation is organized and shall be operating exclusively for charitable, social, service, and educational purposes as contemplated b and permitted by §170(c)(2) and §501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, as amended. It is a non-governmental, non-political, and customer controlled organization.

The specific purposes for which the corporation is organized is (are): To engage in and conduct charitable, social, service and educational activities, including planning, assisting with improvement of and evaluating services for persons with Deafness as further defined by the Bylaws of the North Central Florida Association of the Deaf, Inc. The corporation shall have the power to seek and receive grants, enter into contracts, receive donations that are legally give, buy, sell, rent, real and personal property, tangible or intangible.

It is empowered to make grants and donations to other not-for-profit corporations that are exempt under §501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or its amendments, in the interest of Floridians with Deafness.

This corporation may also engage in any other activity or business permitted under the laws of the United States of America and the State of Florida, for such non-profit entities.

ARTICLE 4

The Board of Directors, who shall establish the Bylaws for the corporation, shall manage the affairs of the corporation, for the initial of 180 days after the incorporation the Board shall consist of five (5) members pending the appointment of additional members. Thereafter, the Board shall consist of a minimum of ten (10) members, excluding ex officio, and non-voting members.

The Board shall also elect officers as provided herein, who shall have such duties as set forth in the Bylaws.

ARTICLE 5

The Board of Directors shall elect the following officers: Chair, Vice Chair, Secretary, Treasurer and Member at Large, and any other officers, which the Bylaws of this corporation authorize the directors to elect. Initially, officers shall be elected at the first annual meeting of the Board of Directors. Until elections is held, the following persons shall serve as corporation officers:

Stephen Joseph Hardy, II 18311 Southwest 67 th Ave. Archer, FL, 32618	Constance Patricia Hardy 18311 Southwest 67 th Ave. Archer, FL, 32618	Colleen Metcalf 27 Pecan Drive Loop Ocala, FL 34472
Donna Pope 1719 NW 23rd Avenue, #PHD Gainesville, FL 32605	Miquel Vivaldi 1000 NE 44th Street Ocala, FL 34479	Shawna Gant 4000 SW 47th St. Lot B-5 Gainesville, FL 32608
Frances Langford 7117 SW Archer Road # 2434 Gainesville, FL 32608	Randall Langford 7117 SW Archer Road # 2434 Gainesville, FL 32608	

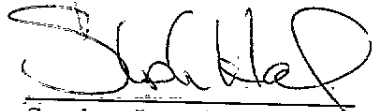
ARTICLE 6

These corporate powers of this corporation as provided in § 617.0303 of the Florida Statutes.

ARTICLE 7

The name and street address of the initial registered agent is: **Stephen Joseph Hardy, II**,
18311 Southwest 67th Avenue, Archer, Florida 32618-2717 and the mailing address is
Post office Box 651 Archer, Florida 32618-0651.

I hereby am familiar with and accept the duties and responsibilities as Registered Agent:


Stephen Joseph Hardy, II

ARTICLE 8

The name and street address of the incorporator to these articles of incorporation is:

Stephen Joseph Hardy, II
18311 Southwest 67th Avenue
Archer, Florida 32618-2717

Mailing Address:
Post Office Box 651
Archer, Florida 32618-0651

ARTICLE 9

The number of persons constituting the first Board of Directors of the corporation is eight (8), and the name and address of the persons who shall serve as directors until the first election as set forth in the Bylaws are:

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The property of the corporation is irrevocably dedicated to shareable purposes and no part of the net income or asset of this corporation shall ever inure to benefit of any director, officer, or member, or to the benefit of any private individual.

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ARTICLE 11

The dissolution or winding up of this corporation, its assets remaining after payment, or provision for payment, of all debts and liabilities of the corporation, shall be distributed to a not for profit fund, foundation, or corporation which is organized and operated exclusively for charitable purposes and which has established its tax exempt status under § 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, or corresponding provisions of any subsequent federal tax laws.

ARTICLE 12

Amendments to these articles of Incorporation may be adopted by a vote of at least two-thirds (2/3) of the members of the Board of Directors of the corporation.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned incorporator has executed these articles of Incorporation this 8 day of Dec, 2000.

Stephen Joseph Hardy, II
Incorporator

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STATE OF FLORIDA,
COUNTY OF ALACHUA.

BEFORE ME, The undersigned authority, personally appeared, **Stephen Joseph Hardy, II**, who first being duly sworn by me, and to me well known to be the individual described in the foregoing **Articles of Incorporation**, acknowledged to and before me that she executed the same for the purpose expressed therein.

WITNESS my hand and official seal on this 8 day of Dec, 2000

Donna Genovar

NOTARY PUBLIC

My Commission Expires:

