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Via Federal Express No. 809683303775

Division of Corporations  
409 East Gaines  
Post Office Box 6327  
Tallahassee, FL 32314

Ladies/Gentlemen:

Re: Articles of Incorporation  
Cotton Green Village Association, Inc.

Enclosed are the original and one copy of the Articles of Incorporation for the referenced not-for-profit corporation together with a check in the amount of \$ 78.75 to cover the fees for filing the Articles. After filing, please return a date-stamped copy to our office.

Should you have any questions, do not hesitate in contacting me.

Sincerely yours,



Carrie E. Poulos-Lademan

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**ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION  
FOR  
COTTON GREEN VILLAGE ASSOCIATION, INC.**

In compliance with the requirements of Chapter 617, Florida Statutes, the undersigned who is of full age, does hereby certify:

**ARTICLE I**

The name of the corporation is COTTON GREEN VILLAGE ASSOCIATION, INC.

The office of the association is located at 4001 Tamiami Trail North, Suite 350, Naples, Florida 34103.

The name and address of the Registered Agent is Mark J. Woodward, 801 Laurel Oak Drive, Suite 710, Naples, Florida 34108.

The terms used in these Articles shall have the definitions as provided in Article I of Declaration of Covenants, Conditions and Restrictions for COTTON GREEN VILLAGE ASSOCIATION, INC. (the "Village Covenants").

**ARTICLE II**  
**PURPOSE AND POWERS OF THE ASSOCIATION**

This Village Association does not contemplate pecuniary gain or profit to the Members thereof; and the specific purposes for which it is formed are to provide for maintenance and preservation of the Residential Units, Village Common Areas and Telecommunications System within that certain tract of Property located in Collier County, Florida, known as "Cotton Green Village" pursuant to the provisions of the Village Covenants, and to promote the betterment of the above described Property and any additions thereto as may hereafter be brought within the jurisdiction of this Village Association and in furtherance of those purposes to:

A. Exercise all of the powers and privileges and to perform all of the duties and obligations of the Village Association as set forth in the Village Covenants Declaration, applicable to the Property, to be recorded in the Public Records of Collier County, Florida, and as the same may be amended from time to time as therein provided, said Village Covenants being incorporated herein by reference as if set forth as length;

B. Operate, maintain repair and where necessary improve the Village Common Areas, including but not limited to, all water management facilities existing, from time to time on the Properties which are not maintained by the Foundation or District, which water management facilities shall include all lakes, ponds, drainage retention areas, swales and artificial and natural structures which are incorporated into the water management system, whether owned by the Village Association or by a Member, and all easements reserved for drainage related purposes. Provided, however, that the Village Association shall only be responsible for water management facilities which solely serve COTTON GREEN VILLAGE. The Foundation or District shall be responsible for the ownership, operation and maintenance of all storm water management systems which are designated by the Foundation or District as a part of the master storm water management system.

C. Fix, levy, collect and enforce payment by any lawful means, all charges or Assessments pursuant to the terms of the Village Covenants; to pay

all expenses in connection therewith and all office and other expenses in connection therewith and other expenses incident to the conduct of the business of the Village Association, including all licenses, taxes or governmental charges levied or imposed against the Property of the Village Association;

D. Acquire (by gift, purchase or otherwise), own, hold, improve, build upon, operate, maintain, convey, sell, lease, transfer, dedicate for public use or otherwise dispose of real or personal property in connection with the affairs of the Village Association;

E. Borrow money, and with the consent of eighty percent (80%) of the Members entitled to vote, mortgage, pledge, deed in trust, or hypothecate any or all of its real or personal property as security for money borrowed or debts incurred;

F. Dedicate, sell or transfer all or any part of the Village Common Areas to any public agency, authority, or utility for such purposes and subject to such conditions as may be agreed to by the Members;

G. Have and to exercise any and all powers, rights and privileges which a corporation organized under the not-for-profit Corporation Law of the State of Florida by law may now or hereafter have or exercise;

H. Devise such rules and regulations with respect to the use of the Village Common Areas and to promote the health, safety and convenience of the Owners of the Property.

I. Enter into contracts for operational and maintenance services for the Village Common Areas and the management of the Village Association.

J. Cooperate with the Foundation in carrying out its responsibilities under the Master Declaration.

### ARTICLE III MEMBERSHIP

Every person or entity who is a record Owner of a Residential Unit in COTTON GREEN VILLAGE shall be a Member of the Village Association. The foregoing is not intended to include persons or entities who hold an interest merely as security for the performance of an obligation. Membership shall be appurtenant to and may not be separated from ownership of Residential Unit which is subject to Assessment by the Village Association.

### ARTICLE IV VOTING RIGHTS

The Village Association shall have two (2) classes of voting memberships:

1. Class A. Class A Members shall be all of those Owners of a Residential Unit subject to the Village Covenants. Each Class A Member shall have one (1) vote for each Residential Unit owned by such Class A Member.

2. Class B. There shall be one (1) Class B member, the Declarant, 951 Land Holdings Joint Venture, a Florida general partnership, or its assigns. The Class B member shall have one (1) vote for each Residential Unit subject to the Village Covenants, plus one (1).

The Bylaws may establish procedures for voting when title to a unit is held in the name of a corporation or more than one (1) person or entity.

The Class B membership shall cease and convert to Class A membership, at such time pursuant to F.S. 617.307 that Members other than the Declarant are entitled to elect a majority of the Board of Directors, which shall occur upon the occurrence of three months after ninety percent (90%) of the total Residential Units have been conveyed to Members. For the purposes of this section "Members other than the Declarant" shall not include builders, contractors, or others who purchase an unconstructed Residential Unit for the purpose of constructing improvements thereon for resale.

#### ARTICLE V BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The affairs of this Association shall initially be managed by a Board of three (3) members who shall be appointed by the Declarant and serve at Declarant's will. The names and addresses of the persons who are to act in the capacity of Directors until the selection of their successors are:

Anthony Dinardo	4001 Tamiami Trail North, Suite 350 Naples, Florida 34103
Joseph L. Parisi	4001 Tamiami Trail North, Suite 350 Naples, Florida 34103
Mark Woodward	801 Laurel Oak Drive, Suite 710 Naples, Florida 34108

After Declarant turns over control of the Village Association, the Board shall consist of at least three members, who shall be elected by the members in the manner determined by the Bylaws. The Declarant is entitled to elect at least one Member of the Board of Directors as long as the Declarant holds for sale in the ordinary course of business at least five percent (5%) of the total Residential Units.

#### ARTICLE VI INDEMNIFICATION

The Village Association shall indemnify every Director and every officer of the Village Association against all expenses and liabilities including attorney's fees, actually and reasonably incurred by or imposed on him in connection with any legal proceeding (or settlement or appeal of such proceeding) to which he may be a party because of his being or having been a Director or officer of the Village Association. In the event of a settlement, indemnification shall apply only when the Board of Directors approves such settlement and indemnification as being in the best interests of the Village Association. The foregoing right of indemnification shall not apply to:

- A. Gross negligence or willful misconduct in office by any Director or officer.
- B. Any criminal action, unless the Director or officer acted in good faith and in a manner he reasonably believed was in, not opposed to, the best interest of the Village Association, and had no reasonable cause to believe his action was unlawful.

The foregoing right of indemnification shall be in addition to and not exclusive of all other rights to which such Director or officer may be entitled.

ARTICLE VII  
DURATION

The corporation shall exist perpetually. If this corporation shall ever be dissolved, the Property owned by the corporation consisting of the surface water management system shall be conveyed to an appropriate agency of local government. If it is not accepted, then the surface water management system shall be dedicated to a similar non-profit corporation.

ARTICLE VIII  
AMENDMENTS

Subject to the rights of the Declarant and Developer as provided in the Bylaws of the Corporation, amendments of these Articles shall require the consent of two-thirds (2/3) of the members entitled to vote, but no amendment shall be effective which is in contravention of the duties, responsibilities or obligations of the Village Association or the members as provided in the Village Covenants. Amendments to the Bylaws may be made at a regular or special meeting of the members or by a vote of a majority of a quorum of the voting representatives present in person.

ARTICLE IX  
NOT FOR PROFIT STATUS

In compliance with the requirements of Chapter 617, the corporation shall issue no stock, and no dividends shall be paid and no part of the income of the corporation shall be distributed to the members, directors or officers.

ARTICLE X  
OFFICERS

There shall initially be a President and Secretary/Treasurer of the Corporation. The initial officers of the corporation are as follows:

PRESIDENT	Anthony DiNardo
SECRETARY/TREASURER	Mark J. Woodward

After Declarant turns over control of the Village Association, the officers shall consist of a President, Vice President and Secretary/Treasurer.

ARTICLE XI  
INCORPORATORS

The name and address of the incorporator is:

Mark J. Woodward  
801 Laurel Oak Drive, Suite 710  
Naples, Florida 34108

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, for the purpose of forming this corporation under the laws of the State of Florida, the undersigned incorporator of this Association, has executed these Articles of Incorporation this 26<sup>th</sup> day of January, 1999.

  
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Mark J. Woodward

STATE OF FLORIDA  
COUNTY OF COLLIER

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this 26<sup>th</sup> day of January, 19 99, by Mark J. Woodward, who is personally known to me and did not take an oath.

Jennifer A. Salwan  
Print Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Notary Public  
Commission No. \_\_\_\_\_  
My Commission Expires: \_\_\_\_\_



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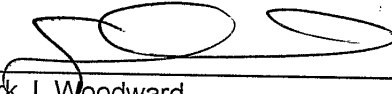
**CERTIFICATE DESIGNATING PLACE OF BUSINESS**  
**FOR THE SERVICE OF PROCESS WITHIN THIS STATE,**  
**NAMING AGENT UPON WHOM PROCESS MAY BE SERVED.**

In pursuance of Chapter 48.091, Florida Statutes, the following is submitted, in compliance with said Act:

That COTTON GREEN VILLAGE ASSOCIATION, INC., desiring to organize under the laws of the State of Florida with its principal office, as indicated in the Articles of Incorporation, County of Collier, State of Florida, has named Mark Woodward, 801 Laurel Oak Drive, Suite 710, Naples, Florida 34108, State of Florida, as its agent to accept service of process within this State.

**ACCEPTANCE**

Having been named to accept service of process for the above corporation, at place designated in this certificate, I hereby accept to act in this capacity, and agree to comply with the provision of said Act relative to keeping open said office.

  
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Mark J. Woodward

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