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STATE OF FLORIDA OFFICE OF FINANCIAL REGULATION

DATE:

July 7, 2003

TO:

Karon Beyer, Department of State

Division of Corporations - Bureau of Commercial Recordings

FROM:

Bruce Ricca, Licensing and Chartering

SUBJ:

Cortez Community Bank

Brooksville, Hernando County, Florida

(Proposed New Bank)

Please file the attached Articles of Incorporation for the above-referenced institution, using the <u>CURRENT DATE</u>, as the effective date.

Please make the following distribution of certified copies:

(1) One copy to:

Bruce Ricca

Office of Financial Regulation

Licensing & Chartering 200 East Gaines Street Tallahassee, FL 32399-0371

(2) Two copies to:

Ms. Denise Strand

The Hogan Law Firm Post Office Box 485

Brooksville, Florida 34605

(3) Uncertified

copy to:

Ms. Charmion Haley

Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation

10 Tenth Street, N. E.

Suite 800

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Also attached is a check that represents payment of the filing fees, charter tax and certified copies. If you have any questions, please call 410-9528.

ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF CORTEZ COMMUNITY BANK

The undersigned, acting as director(s) of the purpose of forming a corporation under and by virtue of the Laws of the State of Florida, adopt(s) the following Articles of Incorporation:

ARTICLE I

The name of the corporation shall be Cortez Community Bank and its initial place of business shall be in 1000 S. Broad Street, Brooksville, in the County of Hernando, and State of Florida.

ARTICLE II

The general nature of the business to be transacted by this corporation shall be: That of a general commercial banking business with all the rights, powers, and privileges granted and conferred by the Florida Financial Institutions Codes, regulating the organization, powers, and management of banking corporations.

ARTICLE III

The total number of shares authorized to be issued by the corporation shall be 2,000,000. Such shares shall be of a single class and shall have a par value of \$5.00 per share. The corporation shall begin business with at least \$3,270,000 in paid-in common capital stock to be divided into 654,000 shares. The amount of surplus with which the corporation will begin business will be not less than \$2,730,000 of which (capital stock and surplus) shall be paid in cash.

ARTICLE IV

The term for which said corporation shall exist shall be perpetual unless terminated pursuant to the Florida Financial Institutions Codes.

ARTICLE V

The number of directors shall not be fewer than five (5). A majority of the full board of directors may, at any time during the years following the annual meeting of shareholders in which such action has been authorized, increase the number of directors by not more than two and appoint persons to fill resulting vacancies. The names and street addresses of the first directors of the corporation are:

NAME	STREET ADDRESS
	14387 Hunt Club Lane
Dr. Lingappa Amarchand	Spring Hill, FL 34609
	7598 Aralia Way
Eugene A. Berry	Largo, FL 33777
	24132 Westminster Court
Terry G. Bickel	Brooksville, FL 34601
	5254 Sandra Drive
Joyce P. Brooks	Brooksville, FL 34601
	9311 Wallien Drive
Mary Beth Gary	Brooksville, FL 34601
	9365 Elida Road
JoAnn E. Guckian	Spring Hill, FL 34608
	P.O. Box 12
Thomas S. Hogan, Jr.	Brooksville, FL 34605
	2045 Anderson Snow Road
Becky L. Leavell	Spring Hill, FL 34609
	20491 Powell Road
Derrill S. McAteer	Brooksville, FL 34604
	18641 Avenue Capri
Mukesh H. Mehta, M.D.	Lutz, FL 33558
	2727 Orchid Oaks Drive, Unit 205C
Donald R. Page	Sarasota, FL 34239
	4464 Golf Club Lane
Ralph V. Taglia	Brooksville, FL 34609
	24198 Westminster Court
John S. Turner, Sr.	Brooksville, FL 34601
	4939 Cedarbrook Lane
Barry J. Weber	Spring Hill, FL 34607

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ARTICLE VI

The name and street address of the person signing these Articles of Incorporation as incorporator is Thomas S. Hogan, Jr., P.O. Box 12, Brooksville, FL 34605.

Thomas S. Hogan, Jr.

STATE OF FLORIDA

COUNTY OF HERNANDO

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this 25th day of 12003, by THOMAS S. HOGAN, JR., who is personally known to me or who has produced identification and who did/did not take an oath.

(Seal)



Notary Public - State of Florida

Printed Name: DENISE M STRAND

My Commission Expires:___

APPROVED by the Office of Financial Regulation for the State of Florida this <u>2</u>No day of <u>10</u>Ly , 2003.

Tallahassee, Florida

Office of Financial Regulation