Department of State Division of Corporations P.O. Box 6327 Tallahassee, FL 32314

SUBJECT: ST. AUGUSTINE-BARACOA FRIENDShip Associate (PROPOSED CORPORATE NAME - MUST INCLUDE SUFFIX

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Enclosed is an original and one (1) copy of the articles of incorporation and a check for:

\$70.00 Filing Fee

\$78.75 Filing Fee &

Certificate of Status

Filing Fee & Certified Copy

\$78.75

\$87.50

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& Certificate

ADDITIONAL COPY REQUIRED

AUGUSTINE, FL. 32086 City, State & Zip

904. 461. 3175 Daytime Telephone number

NOTE: Please provide the original and one copy of the articles.

Articles of Incorporation

SECONOC 4 MIN. 37 St. Augustine-Baracoa Friendship Association, Inc.

A Florida Non-profit Corporation

The undersigned, desiring to form a non-profit corporation pursuant to the Florida Statutes, Chapter 617, adopt the following Articles of Incorporation for the St. Augustine-Baracoa Friendship Association, Inc.:

Article I

Name and Duration

1.1. The name of the Corporation shall be the St. Augustine-Baracoa Friendship Association, Inc. (SA-BFA, sometimes referred to as the "Friendship Association") and the duration shall be perpetual.

Article II

Place of Business and Mailing Address

The place of business and mailing address of the Corporation is: Sally McIntire, Secretary, St. Augustine-Baracoa Friendship Association, Inc., P. O. Box 861086, St. Augustine, Florida, 32086.

Article III

Purposes of the Corporation

- 3.1 The purposes for which the St. Augustine-Baracoa Friendship Association, Inc. is organized are exclusively religious, charitable, scientific, cultural and educational within the meaning of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue law. In furtherance of such purposes and subject to the limitations of said Section 501(c)(3) the St. Augustine-Baracoa Friendship Association, Inc. is authorized:
 - a. To establish, promote and foster a spirit of friendship and closer ties between the citizens of the city of St. Augustine and environs and the citizens of the city of Baracoa, in Cuba, and environs; and

- b. To provide a platform for the citizens of both cities to be engaged as "global citizens" and to acquire consciousness and understanding of each other as individuals, as members of our respective communities, and as part of the family of nations; and
- c. To search for peaceful ways to end international conflicts, wars and human deprivation through the building of bridges of Friendship, through the development of mutual respect and support; and, in particular,
- d. To maintain close relationships with the people and officials of Baracoa throughout the duration of the Friendship through literary, civic, cultural, historical, religious, medical and educational endeavors, all in the interests of promoting peace and understanding between the people of the United States and Cuba, to the fullest extent that is legally permissible; and
- e. To arrange for cultural, religious, scientific and educational exchanges and to arrange for cultural, religious, scientific and educational delegations between St. Augustine and Cuba that will serve to help the citizens of both communities to learn more about each other's cultures in order to reach a fuller understanding of each other both in terms of history and the present day; and
- f. To encourage other local civic groups to create activities and projects in support of the projects of the St. Augustine-Baracoa Friendship Association, Inc., and in support of like groups and programs in Baracoa; and
- g. To provide any other service, activity, or program material deemed necessary by the Board of Directors; and
- h. To do everything necessary, proper, advisable or convenient for the accomplishment of the purposes and objectives stated in these Articles of Incorporation, and to do all things incidental to them or connected with them that are not forbidden by law or by this document; and
- To exist only for the purposes for which this Friendship Association is formed under the law and not for pecuniary profit or financial gain or political motives; and

Article IV

Membership

St. Augustine-Baracoa Friendship Association, Inc. shall have members, as provided in the By-Laws, and the Directors shall be appointed or elected according to the By-Laws.

Article V

Initial Directors

The number of Directors shall be not less than three nor more than fifteen as fixed by the By-Laws of the Corporation. The number of Directors constituting the initial Board of Directors of the Corporation shall be five and the names and addresses of the persons who are to act as the Directors until the election or appointment of their successors, and who shall be subject to all of the provisions of the aforementioned Chapter relating to Directors, and who shall constitute the number of Directors of the Corporation until changed by the By-Laws are:

Dr. Ronald Dixon 2520 U.S. 1, South St. Augustine, Fl. 32086

Sally McIntire 7265 A.1.A. South, Apt. D-1, St. Augustine, Fl. 32080

Len Weeks 62 Hypolita St. St. Augustine, Fl. 32084 Alberto Jones
1 Blackfoot Ct.
Palm Coast, Fl. 32137

Jo D. McIntire 7265 A.1.A. South, Apt. D-1, St. Augustine, Fl. 32080

Article VI

Registered Office and Registered Agent

The street address of the initial registered office of the corporation is 7265 A.1.A. South, Apt. D-1, St. Augustine, Florida, 32080. The name of its initial registered agent at such address is Sally McIntire.

Article VII

<u>Incorporator</u>

The name and address of the incorporator is Dr. Ronald Dixon, 2520 U.S. 1, South, St. Augustine, Fl. 32086.

Article VIII

Distribution on Dissolution

In the event of dissolution of the St. Augustine-Baracoa Friendship Association, Inc., no part of the property of the Corporation or any of the proceeds shall be distributed to or inure to the benefit of any of the members, directors or officers of the Corporation, but all such property and proceeds, subject to the discharge of valid obligations of the Corporation, and to the applicable provisions of Florida Law, shall be distributed as directed by the Directors of the Corporation among one or more organizations provided that such organizations are themselves exempt as organizations described in Sections 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 or corresponding sections of any prior or future Internal Revenue Law.

Article IX

By-Laws

Provisions for the regulation of the internal affairs of the Corporation, except as provided in these Articles, shall be determined and fixed by the By-Laws as adopted by the Board of Directors.

Article X

Exempt Status

- 10.1 Notwithstanding any other provision of these articles, this organization shall not carry on any activities not permitted by an organization exempt from federal income tax under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue law.
- 10.2 The Corporation is constituted so as to attract substantial support from contributions, directly or indirectly, from a representative number of persons in the community in which it operates and has not been formed

- for pecuniary profit or financial gain, and no part of the assets, income or profit of the Corporation is distributable to or incres to the benefit of its directors or officers except to the extent permitted under Florida law.
- 10.3 No part of the activities of the Corporation shall be the carrying on of propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and the Corporation shall not participate in, or intervene in (including the publishing or distribution of statements) any political campaign on behalf of any candidate for public office.

IN WITNESS THEREOF, Dr. Ronald Dixon, the said incorporator of the St. Augustine-Baracoa, Friendship Association, Inc. has hereunto set his hand and seal on this the 30 day of November, 2000. 00 OFC 4 11.37

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STATE OF FLORIDA COUNTY OF ST JOHNS

Before me, the undersigned authority, personally appeared Dr. Ronald Dixon, whose name is subscribed to the within Articles of Incorporation for St. Augustine-Baracoa Friendship Association, Inc., as incorporator thereof, and who acknowledged to me that he has executed the same voluntarily on the day the same bears date.

Given under my hand and official seal of office on this the 30 day of November 2000.

Having been named as registered agent to accept service of process for the above stated corporation at the place designated in this certificate, I am familiar with and accept the appointment as registered agent and agree to act in this capacity.

IN WITNESS THEREOF, Sally McIntire, the initial Registered Agent of the St. Augustine-Baracoa, Friendship Association, Inc. has hereunto set her hand and seal on this the 30 day of November , 2000.

STATE OF FLORIDA COUNTY OF ST JOHNS

Before me, the undersigned authority, personally appeared Sally McIntire, whose name is subscribed to the within Articles of Incorporation for St. Augustine-Baracoa Friendship Association, Inc., as initial Registered Agent, and who acknowledged to me that she has executed the same voluntarily on the day the same bears date.

Given under my hand and official seal of office on this the 30th day of

November 2000.