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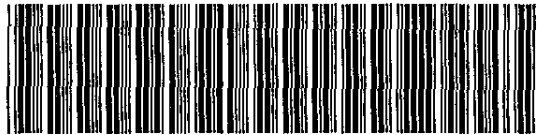
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TRANSMITTAL LETTER

TO: Registration Section
Division of Corporations

SUBJECT: _____ The Welch Group, LLC
(Name of Limited Liability Company)

The enclosed "Application by Foreign Limited Liability Company for Authorization to Transact Business in Florida," Certificate of Existence, and check are submitted to register the above referenced foreign limited liability company to transact business in Florida..

Please return all correspondence concerning this matter to the following:

Steven T. Welch, Esq.
(Name of Person)

The Welch Group, LLC
(Firm/Company)

11465 Johns Creek Parkway, Suite 300
(Address)

Duluth, GA 30097
(City/State and Zip Code)

For further information concerning this matter, please call:

Steven T. Welch, Esq.
(Name of Person) at (770) 814-0462
(Area Code & Daytime Telephone Number)

STREET ADDRESS:
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409 E. Gaines Street
Tallahassee, Florida 32399

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Division of Corporations
P.O. Box 6327
Tallahassee, Florida 32314

Enclosed is a check for the following amount:

☐ \$125.00 Filing Fee ☒ \$130.00 Filing Fee & Certificate of Status ☐ \$155.00 Filing Fee & Certified Copy ☐ \$160.00 Filing Fee, Certificate of Status & Certified Copy

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**APPLICATION BY FOREIGN LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY FOR AUTHORIZATION TO
TRANSACTION BUSINESS IN FLORIDA**

*IN COMPLIANCE WITH SECTION 608.503, FLORIDA STATUTES, THE FOLLOWING IS SUBMITTED TO REGISTER A FOREIGN
LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY TO TRANSACTION BUSINESS IN THE STATE OF FLORIDA:*

1. The Welch Group, LLC
(Name of Foreign Limited Liability Company)
2. Georgia
(Jurisdiction under the law of which foreign limited liability company is organized)
3. 03-0415194
(FEI number, if applicable)
4. 3-20-2002
(Date of Organization)
5. Perpetual
(Duration: Year limited liability company will cease to exist or "perpetual")
6. _____
(Date first transacted business in Florida, if prior to registration.)
(See sections 608.501 & 608.502 F.S. to determine penalty liability)
7. The Welch Group, LLC
11465 Johns Creek Parkway, Ste. 300, Duluth, GA 30097
(Street Address of Principal Office)

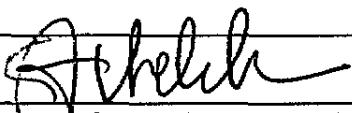
8. If limited liability company is a manager-managed company, check here ☒

9. The name and usual business addresses of the managing members or managers are as follows:

Steven T. Welch, Esq. 11465 Johns Creek Parkway, Ste. 300, Duluth, GA 30097

10. Attached is an original certificate of existence, no more than 90 days old, duly authenticated by the official having custody of records in the jurisdiction under the law of which it is organized. (A photocopy is not acceptable. If the certificate is in a foreign language, a translation of the certificate under oath of the translator must be submitted.)

11. Nature of business or purposes to be conducted or promoted in Florida: Professional legal services



Signature of a member or an authorized representative of a member.
(In accordance with section 608.408(3), F.S., the execution of this document constitutes
an affirmation under the penalties of perjury that the facts stated herein are true.)
Steven T. Welch

Typed or printed name of signee

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**CERTIFICATE OF DESIGNATION OF
REGISTERED AGENT/REGISTERED OFFICE**

PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 608.415 or 608.507, FLORIDA STATUTES, THE UNDERSIGNED LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY SUBMITS THE FOLLOWING STATEMENT TO DESIGNATE A REGISTERED OFFICE AND REGISTERED AGENT IN THE STATE OF FLORIDA.

1. The name of the Limited Liability Company is:

The Welch Group, LLC

2. The name and the Florida street address of the registered agent and office are:

Steven T. Welch

(Name)

4399 Commons Drive, E, Suite 300

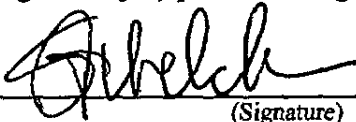
Florida Street Address (P.O. Box **NOT** ACCEPTABLE)

Destin,

FL 32541

City/State/Zip

Having been named as registered agent and to accept service of process for the above stated limited liability company at the place designated in this certificate, I hereby accept the appointment as registered agent and agree to act in this capacity. I further agree to comply with the provisions of all statutes relating to the proper and complete performance of my duties, and I am familiar with and accept the obligations of my position as registered agent as provided for in Chapter 608, Florida Statutes.



(Signature)

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| \$ 100.00 | Filing Fee for Application |
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| \$ 5.00 | Certificate of Status (optional) |

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STEVEN T. WELCH
THE WELCH GROUP LLC
11465 JOHNS CREEK PKWY., STE. 300
DULUTH, GA 30097

CERTIFICATE OF EXISTENCE

I, Cathy Cox, the Secretary of State of the State of Georgia, do hereby certify under the seal of my office that

THE WELCH GROUP, LLC
A GEORGIA LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY

was formed in the jurisdiction stated above or was authorized to transact business in Georgia on the above date. Said entity is in compliance with the applicable filing and annual registration provisions of Title 14 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated and has not filed articles of dissolution, certificate of cancellation or any other similar document with the office of the Secretary of State.

This certificate relates only to the legal existence of the above-named entity as of the date issued. It does not certify whether or not a notice of intent to dissolve, an application for withdrawal, a statement of commencement of winding up or any other similar document has been filed or is pending with the Secretary of State.

This certificate is issued pursuant to Title 14 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated and is prima-facie evidence that said entity is in existence or is authorized to transact business in this state.



Cathy Cox

Cathy Cox
Secretary of State

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