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CAPITAL CONNECTION, INC. 417 E. VIRGINIA ST., STE. 1 TALLAHASSEE, FL 32302

SUBJECT: CUBAN RETIRED ASSOCIATION, INC.

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We have received your document for CUBAN RETIRED ASSOCIATION, INC. and your check(s) totaling \$157.50. However, the enclosed document has not been filed and is being returned for the following correction(s):

A non profit corporation does not have shares of stock. If you are filing a non profit corp. please take those shares off.

You must list the corporation's principal office and/or a mailing address in the document.

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.

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# ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

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TALLAHASSEE, FLORIDA

OF

# CUBAN RETIRED ASSOCIATION, INC. (Asociacion de Retirados Cubanos)

#### ARTICLE I

# NAME

The name of the corporation is: CUBAN RETIRED ASSOCIATION, INC. (Asociacion de Retirados Cubanos). The prinicipal place of business of the corporation shall be 7805 Coral Way, Suite 103, Miami, FL 33155-6539.

# ARTICLE II

# CORPORATE NATURE

This is a nonprofit corporation, organized solely for general charitable purposes pursuant to the Florida Corporations Not for Profit Law set forth in Section 617 of the Florida Statutes.

# ARTICLE III

# **DURATION**

The term of existence of the corporation is perpetual.

# ARTICLE IV

# GENERAL AND SPECIFIC PURPOSES

The specific and primary purposes for which this corporation is formed are:

- A. To organize and help retired persons, that currently are residing in the State of Florida, in the United States.
- B. To establish committees for the purpose of watching and supervising for adequate care, those agencies or entities responsible for providing health care, food, home care, transportation, security, etc., for the elderly.
- C. To obtain lower prices in the areas of health insurance, auto insurance, food purchases, personal articles purchases, restaurants, recreational facilities, entertainment, and others.
- D. To seek the support of the pertinent government entities in matters relating to the construction of new homes for low income seniors; to create employment opportunities; and to lower public transportation costs.
- E. To seek and establish good communication among those individuals who are fifty years of age and older who are interested in defending civic, social, economic, and human rights of men and women who have reached this age.

- F. To establish a new branch of Junior Officers of the organization whose voluntary contribution will consist of participating in committees for the purpose of adopting adults without families.
- G. To operate exclusively in any other manner for such religious, charitable and educational purposes as will qualify it as an exempt organization under Section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue code of 1954, as amended, or under any corresponding provisions of any subsequent federal tax laws, covering the distributions to organizations qualified as tax exempt organizations under the Internal Revenue Code, as amended, including private foundations and private operating foundations.

# ARTICLE V

# MANAGEMENT OF CORPORATE AFFAIRS

A. Board of Directors. The powers of this corporation shall be exercised, its properties controlled and its affairs conducted by a Board of Directors, consisting of not less than (4) persons. The number of Directors of the corporation shall be four (4) provided however, that such number may be changed by a By-Law duly adopted by the members.

The Directors named herein as the first Board of Directors shall hold office until the first meeting of members at which time and election of Directors shall be held.

Directors elected at the firs annual meeting, and at all times thereafter, shall serve for a term of one (1) year until the annual meeting of members following the election of Directors and until the qualification of the successors in office. Annual meetings shall be held at 1771 S.W. 14<sup>th</sup> Street, Miami, Florida 33145 on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of the month of March of each year at or at such other place or places as the Board of Directors may designate from time to time by resolution.

Any action required or permitted to be taken by one Board of Directors under any provision of law may be taken without a meeting, if all members of the Board shall individually or collectively consent in writing to such action. Such written consent or consents shall be filed with the minutes of the proceedings of the Board and any such action by written consent shall have the same force and effect as if taken by unanimous vote of the Directors. Any certificate or other document filed under any provision of law which relates to action so taken shall state that the action was taken by unanimous written consent of the Board of Directors without a meeting, and that the Articles o Incorporation and the By-Laws of this corporation authorize the Directors to so act. Such a statement shall be prima facie evidence of such authority.

The names and addresses of such initial members of the Board of Directors are as follows:

NAME

# **ADDRESS**

PETER R. BERNAL

90 Edgewater Drive

Coral Gables, Florida 33133

HECTOR A. TORRES

1324 S.W. 17<sup>th</sup> Terrace Miami, Florida 33145

ALICIA C. DIAZ

800 N.W. 13th Avenue #303

Miami, Florida 33145

MARGARET SANCHEZ

2865 S.W. 38th Avenue

Miami, Florida 33134

MARCELINO REGALADO

7805 Coral Way, Suite 103 Miami, Florida 33155

B. Corporate Officers. The Board of Directors shall elect the following officers: Chairman of the Board, Executive Director, President, Senior Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer, and such other officers as the By-Laws of this corporation may authorize the Directors to elect from time to time. Initially, such officers shall be elected at the first annual meeting of the Board of Directors. Until such election is held, the following persons shall serve as corporate officers:

NAME

# ADDRESS

PETER R. BERNAL

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ARTICLE VI

# EARNINGS AND ACTIVITIES OF CORPORATION

A. No part of the net earnings of the corporation shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to its members, directors, officers or other private persons, except that the corporation shall be authorized and empowered to apply reasonable compensation for services rendered and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of the purposes set forth in Article IV hereof.

- B. No substantial 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.
- C. Notwithstanding any other provision of these articles, the corporation shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on (a) by a corporation exempt from Federal income tax under section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 (or corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law).
- D. Notwithstanding any other provision of these articles this corporation shall not, except to an insubstantial degree, engage in any activities or exercise any powers that are not in furtherance of the purposes of this corporation.

#### ARTICLE VII

# DISTRIBUTION OF ASSETS

Upon dissolution of the corporation, the Board of Directors shall, after paying or making provision for the payment of all the liabilities of the corporation dispose of all of the assets of the corporation exclusively for the purposes of the corporation in such manner, or to such organization of organizations organized and operated exclusively for charitable, education, religious, or scientific purposes as shall at the time qualify as an exempt organization or organizations under Section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue code of 1954 (or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law) as the Board of Directors shall determine. Any such assets not so disposed of, shall be disposed of, by a court of competent jurisdiction in the county in which the principal office of the corporation is then located, exclusively for such purposes or to such organization or organizations as such court shall determine, which are organized and operated exclusively for such purposes.

#### ARTICLE VIII

#### **MEMBERSHIP**

The qualification for members and the manner of their admission shall be regulated by the By-Laws for this corporation.

# ARTICLE IX

# SUBSCRIBERS

The names and residence addresses of the Subscribers of this corporation are as follows:

PETER R. BERNAL

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# ARTICLE X

# AMENDMENT OF BY-LAWS

Subject to the limitations contained in the By-Laws, and any limitations set forth in the Corporations Not for Profit Law of the State of Florida, concerning corporate action that must be authorized or approved by the members of the corporation, By-Laws of this corporation may be made, altered, rescinded, added to, or new By-Laws may be adopted, either by a resolution of the Board of Directors, or by following the procedure set forth therefore in the By-Laws.

# ARTICLE XI

# DEDICATION OF ASSETS

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

# ARTICLE XII

# REGISTERED AGENT AND OFFICE

The address of the corporation's registered office shall be 1771 S.W. 14<sup>th</sup> Street, Miami, Florida 33145 and the name of its Registered Agent at said address shall be HECTOR A. TORRES and who is hereby familiar with and accepts the duties and responsibilities as registered agent for said corporation.

# ARTICLE XIII

# AMENDMENT OF ARTICLES

- A. Upon written notification, the Articles of Incorporation may be amended by two third (2/3) vote of the members present at a special meeting called for the purpose by the Board of Directors.
- B. A special meeting to amend the Articles of Incorporation can only be covened if requested by ten (10%) per cent of the members in good standing or one third (1/3) of the Board of Directors.

We, the undersigned, being the Subscribers and Incorporators of this corporation, for the purpose of forming this nonprofit corporation under the laws of the State of Florida, have executed these Articles of Incorporation, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of March, 2000.

WITNESSED BY:

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SUBSCRIBER PETER R. BERNAL

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SUBSCRIBER: MARGARET SANCHEZ

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REGISTERED AGENT: PECTOR A. TORRES

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STATE OF FLORIDA COUNTY OF MIAMI-DADE

BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, personally appeared PETER R. BERNAL, HECTOR A. TORRES, ALICIA C. DIAZ and MARGARET SANCHEZ, to me known to be the persons who executed the foregoing Articles of Incorporation and they acknowledged to and before me that they executed such instrument.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 18 day of March, 2000.

NOTARY PUBLIC, STATE OF FLORIDA AT LARGE

MY COMMISSION EXPIRES

CARLOS RODRIGUEZ QUESADA
COMMISSION # CC 649238
EXPIRES JUL 13, 2001
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