# TRANSMITTAL LETTER

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

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SUBJECT: MOROCCAN ASSOCIATION OF CENTRAL FLORIDA, INC.
(PROPOSED CORPORATE NAME - MUST INCLUDE SUFFIX)

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

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FROM:

ABDERRAZZAK NOITHATLT
Name (Printed or typed)

ALONGWOOD, FL. 32779
City, State & Zip

(407) 774-4188/ 774-4633
Daytime Telephone number

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

John Jan

# ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

In compliance with chapter 617, F.S., Not for Profit

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### ARTICLE I: NAME

The name of the corporation shall be:

Moroccan Association of Central Florida, Inc.

#### ARTICLE II: PRINCIPAL OFFICE

The principal place of business and mailing address of this corporation shall be:

318 Radebaugh Drive

Longwood, FL 32779

#### ARTICLE III: PURPOSE

The purpose for which the corporation is formed:

- 1. To organize and educate the Moroccan community in Central Florida.
- 2. Represent and defend the interests of Moroccans and the Moroccan community in Central Florida.
- 3. Connect Moroccans in Central Florida with their fellow countrymen in the United States, in Morocco and abroad.
- 4. To keep Moroccans in touch with their culture and their very first community in their homeland.
- 5. Assist newcomers with helpful information and intervene on their behalf before government as well as private industry.
- 6. To intervene on behalf of it's members before the Moroccan authorities in the United States, to include the Embassy and General Consulate and in Morocco before different governmental agencies.
- 7. To organize and hold classes to educate the newcomers about their rights and their obligations towards their hosting country, the United States.
- 8. To educate newcomers, as well as established members about the basic laws of the United States.
- 9. To publish a newsletter.
- 10. To organize and hold workshops for discussions ranging from education and health, to cooking and repairs.
- 11. To encourage and sponsor business ventures by it's members.
- 12. To encourage it's members to help the needy in the United States, in Morocco and abroad (troubled and poor regions of the world).
- 13. To engage in fund raising activities.

- 14. To initiate programs and award scholarships to talented students in the United States and in Morocco.
- 15. To provide counseling to it's members when needed; couples, family and troubled teens.
- 16. To assist it's members with interprets and interpretation in courts and government agencies.
- 17. To provide translations for official documents from Arabic and French into English and the reverse.
- 18. Organize parties to promote the Moroccan culture: food, language, arts, theater and music.
- 19. To organize cultural events and invite guest speakers, locally, nationally and internationally.
- 20. Organize meetings with representatives from other associations and work in cooperation with them to advance the causes and issues pertinent to the community.
- 21. To solicit on behalf of it's members, funds from government agencies as well as the private sector (i.e. corporations and private donors) to finance projects and programs.
- 22. To organize events and hold meetings in cooperation with Moroccan organizations in the United States, in Morocco and abroad (Canada and Europe).

# **ARTICLE IV: MANNER OF ELECTION**

The manner in which the directors are elected or appointed:

#### A. PRESIDENT:

- 1. The term of the Presidency is two years.
- 2. There is no term limits to the presidency.
- 3. The President may continue his duties and functions as the President of the Association if: 30 days before the end of his term a motion of continuation is introduced by at least one board member.
- 4. The motion of continuation should be debated and voted on by the board members. 50%+1 is required to pass the motion.
- 5. The passing of the motion constitutes re-election of the President.
- After two years, and if no motion regarding the Presidency is introduced, the President of the Association will step down and the Vice President will take charge of the Association as the President elect.
- 7. The President has a veto power. He can veto any motion passed by the board except motions that are unanimously passed.

8. After completing his term, the President of the Association automatically becomes a board member.

#### 9. Resignation by the President:

In the event the President should resign, the Vice President will take over the duties of the President, and will finish out the remaining time of the resigning President's term, plus two years as President.

#### 10. Impeachment:

The President and the Vice President can be impeached only if:

- a. They are convicted of committing any act classified as a felony.
- b. They are found guilty of misusing the Association's funds.
- c. They are found guilty by a court of law of any type of fraudulent crime.

Any problems arising from personal life can not and will not be accepted as grounds to call for a President or Vice President to step down.

#### **B. VICE PRESIDENT:**

- 1. The board of directors will elect the Association's Vice President.
- 2. A board member nominates the candidate for the position of Vice President, and the nomination must be sponsored by (2) two more board members in order to be considered.
- 3. A majority vote is needed to elect the Vice President of the Association. 50%+1 is required to elect.
- 4. The conditions of the Vice Presidency shall be:
  - a. The candidate must have a minimum of two years membership in the Association, and have been a member of the Board of Directors for a minimum of two years.
  - b. In the absence of candidates with the membership and service requirement, a seniority rule will apply.

#### **Summary:**

The election held for the Vice Presidency is in fact for the Presidency.

This formula is to ensure the continuation of the programs, projects and initiatives being taken by the Association and to avoid any interruption of it's operation and as an assurance for our partners and members that the person in charge is familiar with the files and issues pertinent to them.

#### C. BOARD MEMBERS:

#### Officers / Directors:

- 1. The Association members shall elect the Board of Directors.
- 2. There will be thirteen members on the Board of Directors.
- 3. Every member shall have one vote.
- 4. Every two years, two seats will be vacated on the board and elections will be held.
- 5. The seats to be vacated will be those of the Treasurer and the Secretary.
- 6. The Secretary and the Treasurer may not vacate their seats if a motion of continuation of Presidency is introduced and approved, unless the President decides to release them from their duties.
- 7. The Secretary and the Treasurer can only serve two consecutive terms or a total of 4 years. At the end of the President's second term they must vacate their seats and relinquish their duties.
- 8. The Treasurer and the Secretary may run for re-election if they so decide.
- 9. If re-elected they can serve in any capacity in the executive area or on the Board of Directors.
- 10. The positions of the Treasurer and Secretary are only open for nomination to a member who has first sat on the Board of Directors.
- 11. The executive officers are:

President.

Vice President.

Secretary

Treasurer

#### Amending formula:

To amend any clause or any article of incorporation: a motion to amend must be introduced debated and voted on by the board members. Two thirds of the board vote is needed to pass the motion.

## **ARTICLE V: INITIAL DIRECTORS & OFFICERS**

- Abderrazzak Nouhaili
   318 Radebaugh Dr, Longwood, FL 32779
- Azziz Drissi
   9407 Comeau St., Gotha, FL 34734
- 3. **Abdelmalek El Aouad** 210 B 2<sup>nd</sup> St, Clermont, FL 34711
- 4. Tarik Hacham 4577 S. Kirkman Rd, Apt# 7, Orlando, FL 32811
- 5. **Lahoucine Abounaouass**6516 Banner Lake Cir, Apt # 5110, Orlando, FL 32821
- 6. **Hicham Rafai**4577 S. Kirkman Rd, Apt # 7, Orlando, FL 32811
- 7. **Mehdi Attaoui** PO. Box 22877, Orlando, FL 32830
- 8. **Dia-Eddine Sabwat**2500 Woodgate, Apt #203, Orlando, FL 32822
- Abdessamad Kostali
   11952 Reedy Creek Dr, Apt #307, Orlando, FL 32836

# ARTICLE VI: INITIAL REGISTERED AGENT AND STREET ADDRESS

The name and street address of the Registered Agent is:

Abderrazzak Nouhaili 318 Radebaugh Drive Longwood, FL 32779

# **ARTICLE VII: INCORPORATOR**

The name and address of Incorporator is:

Abderrazzak Nouhaili 318 Radebaugh Drive Longwood, FL 32779 \*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*

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.

Signature/Registered Agent

Date

O1-01-2001

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Date

SECRETARY OF STATE
TALLAHASSEE, FLORIDA