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ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION
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FLORIDA CENTER FOR POLICY RESEARCH, INC.

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The undersigned subscribe to these Articles of Incorporation pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 617, Florida Statutes, for the purpose of forming a corporation not for profit and further state as follows:

ARTICLE I
Name and Principal Place of Business

The name of the corporation is Florida Center for Policy Research, Inc. The initial principal place of business is: 131 North Monroe Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32301.

ARTICLE II
Duration

The period of the duration of this corporation shall be perpetual unless dissolved in accordance with Florida law. Corporate existence shall commence upon filing with the Secretary of State.

ARTICLE III
Purpose

This corporation is organized as an educational foundation within the meaning of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, as amended, or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue law. Notwithstanding any other provision of these articles, this organization shall not carry on any activities which are not permitted to be carried on by an organization exempt from taxation pursuant to Section

501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, as amended, or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue law. The corporation is established to provide non-partisan research and educational opportunities relating to the structure of government and contemporary topics affecting the population of the State of Florida and of the United States of America.

ARTICLE IV **Restrictions**

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; provided, however, the corporation shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of the purposes set forth in Article III, hereof. 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 or intervene in (including the publishing or distribution of statements) any political campaign on behalf of or in opposition to any candidate for public office.

ARTICLE V **Members**

The initial founding members of the corporation shall be known as "Charter Members" who are persons representative of government, business, education, and individuals within the United States of America.

Other classifications of membership shall be as established by the Board of Directors as provided in the by-laws of the corporation and may consist of separate categories of membership, each with different rights and responsibilities as specified in the by-laws.

ARTICLE VI

The street address and city of the registered office of the corporation is:

Florida Center for Policy Research, Inc.
c/o Meyer and Brooks, P.A.
2544 Blairstone Pines Drive
Tallahassee, Florida 32399

The name of the initial registered agent at such address is Ronald G. Meyer, Esquire.

ARTICLE VII **Board of Directors**

The number of persons constituting the Board of Directors of the corporation shall not be less than four (4) nor more than twenty (20) members. The initial Directors of the corporation shall be appointed by the Incorporators to staggered terms. Not more than one-half ($\frac{1}{2}$) of the Directors shall be appointed to a one (1) year term; the remaining Directors shall each be appointed to a two (2) year term. Directors shall not be required to be members of the corporation; however, members of the corporation shall be entitled to serve as Directors. The by-laws shall provide the process for the selection of Directors at the conclusion of the initial appointed Directors' terms. There shall be no limit on the number of terms a Board member may serve. Board members shall serve with no compensation; provided, however, the Board may authorize reimbursement of expenses incurred by Board members in conjunction with the corporation's business or other approved activities directly related to the corporation's purposes.

Nothing herein shall be construed to preclude any Director from receiving compensation for serving the corporation in any other capacity and receiving compensation therefore.

ARTICLE VIII
Officers

The corporation shall have such officers as may be provided for in the by-laws. The manner of selection of officers shall also be provided for in the by-laws. The corporation shall have at least the following officers:

1. Chairman of the Board
2. President
3. Secretary
4. Treasurer

An individual may hold more than one office in the corporation. Duties of officers shall be described in the by-laws.

ARTICLE IX
Indemnification of Officers and Directors

Officers and directors shall be indemnified by the corporation against all expenses and liabilities, including attorney's fees, (including any incurred in appellate proceedings), reasonably incurred in connection with any proceeding or settlement thereof in which they may become involved by reason of holding such office. The corporation may purchase and maintain insurance on behalf of all officers and directors against any such liability asserted against them or incurred by them in their capacity as officers and directors or arising out of their status as such.

ARTICLE X
Non-Stock Basis

This corporation is organized on a non-stock basis.

ARTICLE XI
Dissolution

In the event of dissolution of this corporation, the residual assets of the corporation will be turned over to one or more organizations which themselves are exempt as organizations described in Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, as amended, or corresponding sections of any prior or future United States Internal Revenue law or to the federal, state or local government to be used for exclusively public purposes.

ARTICLE XII
Incorporators

The names and addresses of the incorporators subscribing to these Articles of Incorporation are set forth below:

Ronald C. Johnson
580 Timber Run
Havana, Florida 32333

W.A. Byrne, III
3109 Woodhill Drive
Tallahassee, Florida 32303

Mark A. Riordan
533 North Meridian Street
Tallahassee, Florida 32301

Kartik Krishnaiyer
10405 NW 6th Street
Coral Springs, Florida 33071

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned pursuant to the laws of the State of Florida do hereby make and file in the office of the Secretary of State of Florida these Articles of Incorporation and further certify that the facts stated herein are true and correct.



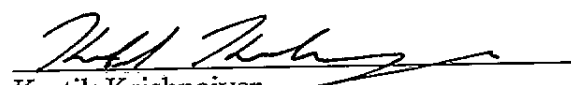
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Mark A. Riordan



W.A. Byrne, III



Kartik Krishnaiyer

VERIFICATION

STATE OF FLORIDA)
COUNTY OF LEON)

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this 9th day of October, 2001 by Ronald C. Johnson, W.A. Byrne, III, Mark A. Riordan and Kartik Krishnaiyer, in the presence of one another, who are personally known to me OR ~~who provided a valid Florida Driver's License as identification~~ (strike through one).

WITNESS my hand and seal in the County and State named above on this 9th day of October, 2001.



NOTARY PUBLIC

My Commission Expires:



Ronald G. Meyer
MY COMMISSION # DD031193 EXPIRES
August 18, 2005
BONDED THRU TROY FAIN INSURANCE, INC.

Notary Public:

RONALD G. MEYER
Printed Name

ACCEPTANCE BY REGISTERED AGENT

Ronald G. Meyer, the Registered Agent named in the foregoing Articles of Incorporation, by the execution of the acceptance, does hereby agree to abide by the provisions of Section 607.0501, Florida Statutes, with respect to the duties of such registered agent and agrees to maintain normal business hours at the following address: 2544 Blairstone Pines Drive, Tallahassee, Florida 32301.



RONALD G. MEYER

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