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SUBJECT: FLORIDA GUN OWNERS ALLIANCE
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We have received your document for FLORIDA GUN OWNERS ALLIANCE and your check(s) totaling \$78.75. However, the enclosed document has not been filed and is being returned for the following correction(s):

The name of the corporation must contain a corporate suffix. This suffix may be: CORPORATION, CORP., INCORPORATED, or INC. Sections 617.0401(1)(a) and 617.1506(1), Florida Statutes, prohibits the use of the word COMPANY or CO. in the name of a non-profit corporation.

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

The document must contain a registered agent with a Florida street address and a signed statement of acceptance. (i.e. I hereby am familiar with and accept the duties and responsibilities of Registered Agent.)

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
OF
FLORIDA GUN OWNERS ALLIANCE, INC.
(A FLORIDA NONPROFIT CORPORATION)**

In compliance with the requirements of FS Ch. 617.013 (relating to articles of incorporation), the undersigned, desiring to incorporate a nonprofit corporation, hereby states that:

FIRST:

The name of the Corporation shall be: Florida Gun Owners Alliance, Inc.

SECOND:

The mailing address of the Corporation and the initial registered office is 5215 Colbert Rd. Lakeland, FL 33803 The name of the initial registered agent at such address is Richard Harris, a resident of Florida. The registered agent is familiar with and accepts the duties and responsibilities of his position, and consents to such appointment by his signature affixed below.

Consent to serve as registered agent:


Richard Harris, Registered Agent

THIRD:

The Corporation shall have no stock and shall be empowered to engage in any lawful act or activity for which nonprofit corporations may be organized under the laws of the State of Florida; provided, however, that the Corporation shall be organized and operated exclusively for such purposes and activities as permitted by Section 501(c)(4) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (or the corresponding provisions of any future United States Internal Revenue law), and Treasury Regulation Section 1.501(c)(4)-1 or successor regulation, as the same may be amended from time to time.

In accord with said statute and regulation, the Corporation shall be organized and

operated exclusively for the promotion generally of social welfare for the common good of the people of the community, with specific regard for the following categories of social welfare, as well as for all other forms of social welfare consistent with the aforesaid Code provision and regulation, as the same may be interpreted from time to time.

The Corporation inter alia shall promote the common good and general welfare of the public by the following activities:

1. To underwrite, develop, sponsor and support public understanding of the Second Amendment to the Constitution of the United States, the right to keep and bear arms, the safe use of guns for sport, competition and self defense and alternatives to gun control that better promote a safe and secure society;
2. To underwrite, develop, sponsor and support scholarship highlighting the dangers to our freedoms and our constitutional and moral foundations posed by ordinances, legislation and court decisions which violate the principles of the Second Amendment;
3. To sponsor fora and symposia at which scholars, community leaders, social scientists, criminologists, individual citizens, legislators and governmental officials can meet to give full and fair consideration of topics which relate to the above objectives, to the discussion of studies, reports, and analyses which relate to the above objectives, and to debate and discussion thereof;
4. To publish the aforesaid scholarship, studies, reports, and analyses and make them available to the public, legislators, and governmental officials;
5. To educate the public as to the above issues, and other issues of public concern within the Corporation's general purposes, so that the public may participate meaningfully in dialogue and debate as to said issues and so the public can make its preferences known to legislators and governmental officials;
6. To provide testimony at hearings before governmental agencies, commissions, legislative bodies, committees, and at other public bodies as to the issues and objectives described above; and
7. To perform all other acts necessary or incidental to the above and to do whatever is deemed necessary, useful, advisable, or conducive, directly or indirectly, to carry out any of the purposes of the Corporation, as set forth in these articles of incorporation;

The Corporation shall serve only such purposes and functions and shall engage only in such activities as are consistent with the purposes set forth in this Article Third and with its status under Section 501(c)(4) of the Internal Revenue Code or successor Code Section.

FOURTH:

The Corporation shall be neither organized nor operated for pecuniary gain or profit. No part of the net earnings of the Corporation shall inure the benefit of, or be distributable to, any member, director, or officer of the Corporation or any other private person; but the Corporation shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered or goods provided, and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of the purposes as set forth in Article Three hereof.

FIFTH:

The corporation is organized on a nonstock basis.

SIXTH:

The Board of Directors shall consist of not fewer than three (3) directors nor more than seven (7) directors who shall have general charge of the affairs and any property and assets of the Corporation. It shall be the duty of the directors to carry out the purposes and functions of the Corporation. The directors shall be elected at all times thereafter by the directors at the annual meeting of the Board of Directors of the Corporation as provided in the bylaws. Directors shall serve for terms of one (1) year and may be reelected for one or more successive terms.

The Corporation's initial directors are:

Richard Harris, 5215 Colbert Rd. Lakeland, FL 33803

Dennis Fusaro, 72 Hawes Rd. Stevens City, VA 22655

John Tate, 13193 Scottish Hunt Ln. Bristow, VA 20136

Sean Gerety, 4739 Woods Edge Rd. Virginia Beach, VA 23469

Steve Antosh, 7139 Wilburdale Rd. Annandale, VA 22003

SEVENTH:

The Corporation shall have no members with voting rights. However, it may establish other classes of membership without voting rights in its Bylaws.

EIGHTH:

All references in these articles of incorporation to sections of the Internal Revenue Code shall be considered references to the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as from time to time amended, and to the corresponding provisions of any applicable future United States Internal Revenue law, and to all regulations issued under such sections and provision.

NINTH:

The name and address of the incorporator is:

Name

Address

Robert Hughes

P.O. Box 1909 Springfield, VA 22151

TENTH:

These articles of incorporation may be amended at any time by the affirmative vote of three-fifths (3/5) of the Board of Directors. The bylaws may be amended at any time by the affirmative vote of a majority of all of the directors then in office.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, the Incorporator has executed these Articles of Incorporation on this ____ day of _____, 2001..


Robert Hughes, Incorporator