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TRANSMITTAL LETTER

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



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SUBJECT:_	Damascus	Road	Project,	Inc.	*****78.75	*****78.75
	(PROPOSED CORPORATE NAME – <u>MUST INCLUDE SUFFIX</u>)					

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

\$70.00 Filing Fee

\$78.75
Filing Fee &
Certificate of
Status

\$78.75

Filing Fee & Certified Copy □ \$87.50

Filing Fee, Certified Copy

& Certificate

ADDITIONAL COPY REQUIRED

FROM: _	Mervill C- Tunsil Name (Printed or typed)
-	.505 E. Duval St Address
-	Lake City, FC 32055
	386.752.0625

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

ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF DAMASCUS ROAD PROJECT, INC.

The undersigned, all of whom are citizens of the United States, desiring to form a corporation, not for profit, under the provisions of Chapter 617 of the Florida Statutes, do hereby certify:

FIRST: The name of said corporation shall be Damascus Road Project, Inc.

SECOND: The place where the principal office of the corporation is to be located is 519 E. Washington Street, Lake City, Columbia County, Florida and its mailing address is P.O. Box 3153, Lake City, FL 32056-3153.

THIRD: The purposes for which the corporation are formed are as outlined below or as may hereafter, from time to time, be amended including:

- (a) Working exclusively for charitable, religious, educational, and scientific purposes.
- (b) Receiving, holding, and disbursing gifts, bequests, and funds arising from all sources.
- (c) Acquiring, owning, and maintaining real estate, buildings and other property real or personal, incidental, necessary, or proper to carry out said objects.
- (d) Doing of any and all things necessary or incident to the accomplishment of such purposes.

FOURTH: The following persons shall serve as the initial trustees and board of directors of said corporation and shall serve as provided in the Bylaws of the Damascus Road Project, Inc.:

Earl Perry Rt. 22, Box 332

Lake City, FL 32024

Tommasine Griffen 700 N.E. Leon Street

Lake City, FL 32055

Virginia Perry P.O. Box 57

Lake City, FL 32056

Joe George Rt. 22, Box 2412

Lake City, FL 32024

Sharon Anthony Rt. 7, Box 475

Lake City, FL 32055

Bea White

P.O. Box 484

Lake City, FL 32056

Kamara Hollingsworth

Rt. 15, Box 4106 Lake City, FL 32024

The method of electing these trustees or directors shall be as set forth in the following manner:

Election of incumbent and new Board Members will be conducted as the first item of business at the annual meeting of the Board, beginning with the second annual meeting. Election of the following positions: Vice Chairman, Secretary, and two (2) Executive Board Members, will be held during the second annual meeting of the Board. These persons will serve a two (2) year term. Election of the positions Chairman, Treasurer, and one (1) Executive Board Member will be conducted during the third annual meeting of the Board. These officers will serve a two (2) year term.

When a vacancy on the Board exists, nomination for new Members may be received from present Board Members by the Secretary two (2) weeks in advance of the Board Meeting. These vacancies will be filled only to the end of the particular Board Member's term.

FIFTH: The Damascus Road Project, Inc.'s Nondiscriminatory Policy is, as follows: The Damascus Road Project, Inc., admits students of any race, color, national and ethnic origin to all the rights, privileges, programs and activities generally accorded or made available to students at the school. It does not discriminate on the bases of race, color, national and ethnic origin in administration of its educational policies, admission policies, scholarship and loan programs and other school administered programs.

SIXTH: The corporation, in conformity with the Bylaws of the Damascus Road Project, Inc., shall have the power to receive, acquire, and hold title, in trust or otherwise, to real and personal property, and to improve, encumber, lease, sell, convey, and dispose such property.

SEVENTH: No part of the net earnings of the corporation shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to its members, trustees, officers, or other private persons, except that 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 Third 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 in, 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. Notwithstanding any other provision of theses 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, or the corresponding section of nay future federal tax code, or (b) by a corporation, contributions to which are deductible under section 170 (c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

EIGHTH: In addition to the powers and duties granted to this corporation by the Bylaws of The Damascus Road Project, Inc., the corporation assumes for itself all the rights, powers and privileges and immunities which are now, and which may be during the existence thereof be conferred by law upon corporation with a similar character, provided the same are not inconsistent with said Bylaws.

But notwithstanding the above, however, at no time shall any of the amendments, bylaws, or regulations of the corporation be prohibited by or in conflict with the nonprofit corporate laws of the State of Florida.

NINTH: Membership is limited to the Board of Director who shall be selected from a list of volunteers comprised of a cross section of the community that will be served by the Damascus Road Project, Inc. The Damascus Road Project Advisory Committee selected the original Board of Directors. The Chairman, Treasurer, and an Executive Board Member will be appointed for a three (3) term. The Vice Chairman, Secretary, and two (2) year term. Subsequent officers and Executive Board Members will be chosen through an election process described in Damascus Road Project, Inc. Bylaws.

TENTH: If for any reason the corporation shall be abandoned, discontinued, or cease to exist as a legal entity and its charter shall expire or be terminated, the title to all its property both real and personal shall be distributed to an organization qualified under 501 (c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of the United States, to receive it.

ELEVENTH: CERTIFICATE OF DESIGNATION OF REGISTERED AGENT/REGISTERED OFFICE: PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 617.0501, FLORIDA STATUTES, THE UNDERSIGNED CORPORATION, ORGANIZED UNDER THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF FLORIDA, SUBMITS THE FOLLOWING STATEMENT IN DESIGNATING THE REGISTERED OFFICE/REGISTERED AGENT, IN THE STATE OF FLORIDA.

1. The name of the corporation is:

DAMASCUS ROAD PROJECT, INC.

2. The name and address of the registered agent and office is:

KAMARA HOLLINGSWORTH Rt. 15, Box 4106 LAKE CITY, FL 32024 Having been named as registered agent and to accept service of process for the above stated corporation 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 provisions of all statute 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.

Kamara Hollingsworth

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Date

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have hereunto subscribed our names, this 18th day of <u>December</u>, 2001.

Earl Perry

John Manne

Tommasine Griffen

Virginia Perry

Joe George

March 4 Anthony

Sharon Anthony

Bea White

Your Sharon Hollingsworth

Done at Lake City, Florida
December 18 _____, 2001

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