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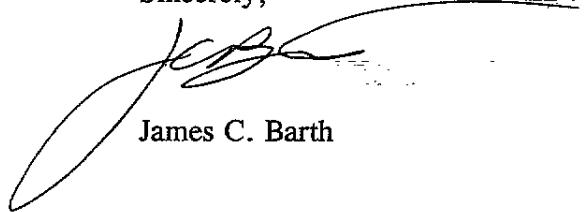
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RE: Crime Stoppers Of Walton County, Inc.

To Whom It May Concern:

Enclosed are the original Articles of Incorporation for Crime Stoppers Of Walton County, Inc., together with my acceptance as Registered Agent. Also enclosed is a check in the amount of \$70.00 to cover the costs of incorporation. Feel free to call me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,



James C. Barth

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**ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION
OF
CRIME STOPPERS OF WALTON COUNTY, INC.**

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**ARTICLE I
NAME AND MAILING ADDRESS**

The name of this organization shall be Crime Stoppers of Walton County, Inc., a Florida corporation not for profit, hereinafter referred to as Crime Stoppers. The initial principal office and mailing address is 133 Sheriff Drive, Santa Rosa Beach, Florida 32459.

**ARTICLE II
PURPOSE OF THE ORGANIZATION**

The purpose of Crime Stoppers is to furnish law enforcement agencies with information on unsolved crimes, on wanted persons, and on other criminal activity that has been unavailable through normal investigative methods; to promote community involvement in all aspects of law enforcement; to develop a community offensive against violent crimes and property crimes; to motivate the public to cooperate with law enforcement agencies, and to reward such involvement. Notwithstanding any other provisions of these Articles of Incorporation, the corporation shall not conduct, or carry on any activities not permitted to be conducted or carried on by an organization exempt under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

**ARTICLE III
ELECTION OF OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS**

The election of Officers and Directors shall be every two years. The procedures for the election will be stated in the By-laws of the organization.

**ARTICLE IV
POWERS**

This organization shall have all corporate powers listed in F. S. 617, the liability of members shall be as stated in F. S. 617.0604, and immunity from civil liability shall be as stated in F.S. 617.0834.

**ARTICLE V
MEMBERSHIP**

Any person meeting membership requirements established from time to time by the Board of Directors may become a member of Crime Stoppers. Membership in Crime Stoppers shall be

for one year and may be renewable as established by the By-Laws of Crime Stoppers. There shall be four (4) levels of Membership:

- a. Active Board Member
- b. Associate Board Member
- c. Honorary Board Member
- d. Advisory Board Member

ARTICLE VI OFFICERS

The officers shall consist of a Chairperson, Vice- Chairperson, Secretary and Treasurer.

ARTICLE VII BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Section 1. GENERAL POWERS

The affairs of the corporation shall be supervised and managed, and its corporate powers exercised, by a Board of Directors. The number of Directors shall be fixed at not less than nine (9) members and not more than thirty (30) members.

Section 2. QUALIFICATIONS

The Board of Directors shall be composed of members of the general public who are active and supportive of Crime Stoppers.

Section 3. GENERAL STANDARDS

The Directors shall discharge their duties pursuant to F. S. 617.0830.

ARTICLE VIII PERSONNEL

There may be an Executive Director and staff appointed for the Crime Stoppers program at the option of the Chairperson and a majority of the Board of Directors. If appointed by the Board, the Executive Director shall be responsible for providing professional advice and assistance to the Crime Stoppers program, the Board of Directors, the Chairperson, officers and committees for the administration of the work delegated to staff.

The initial Directors shall be:

Tom Cooper	Pamela Tedesco
James Barth	Mike Hellton
Cynthia Jeselnik	Roy McCloud

ARTICLE IX EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

There shall be an Executive Committee composed of the officers of the corporation, immediate past Chairperson and the Program Coordinator. The Executive Committee shall have the powers of the Board of Directors and shall take any necessary action in furtherance of the objectives of Crime Stoppers. At the next scheduled meeting of the Board of Directors following any action taken by the Executive Committee, the Executive Committee shall submit to the Board of Directors reports on action taken.

ARTICLE X MEETINGS

Section 1: MEETINGS OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

- A. Annual Meeting – The Annual Meeting shall be held during September and shall be called by the Chairperson. The purpose of the meeting shall be to accept annual reports, install officers and directors, and to present awards.
- B. Regular / Scheduled Monthly Meetings – Each month the Board of Directors will meet to conduct business of the corporation.
- C. Special Meetings – Special meetings may be called by resolution of the Board of Directors or by the Chairperson.
- D. Notice - The Secretary will insure that notice be served for all such meetings.
- E. Quorum – A quorum is 2/3 of the Board of Directors. The Articles and By-laws may be amended only by a majority vote of the Board of Directors.
- F. Voting – At all meetings of the Board of Directors, each member of the Board shall have one vote on all questions, except the Chairperson, who shall vote only in the case of a tie. The method of voting shall be determined by the Chairperson.

ARTICLE XI COMMITTEES

Section 1. STANDING COMMITTEES

With the exception of the Nominating Committee, standing committees may be created or dissolved by the Chairperson. The committee chairperson and members shall be appointed by the Chairperson.

Section 2. NOMINATING COMMITTEE

There shall be a Nominating Committee whose function shall be to present at the August meeting a single slate of nominations for Officers of Crime Stoppers. The Duties and Responsibilities shall be stated in the By-laws.

**ARTICLE XII
REGISTERED AGENT**

James C. Barth has been appointed to accept service of process for Crime Stoppers of Walton County, Inc. and acknowledges his responsibility as Registered Agent, at the registered office 30 South Shore Dr., Destin, Florida 32550.

I hereby accept the appointment as Registered Agent and am familiar with the duties and responsibilities as Registered Agent of said corporation.


James C. Barth

**ARTICLE XIII
INCORPORATOR**

The name and address of the incorporator is:

Tom Cooper
146 East Pinehurst Drive
Santa Rosa Beach, FL 32459

The undersigned incorporator has executed these Articles of Incorporation this 29 day of May, 2002.


Incorporator

STATE OF FLORIDA
COUNTY OF WALTON

The foregoing was acknowledged before me this 29th day of May, 2002, by Tom Cooper, who is personally known to me and who did take an oath and acknowledged and declared that he executed the same for the uses and purposes therein set forth.

Dated at Walton County, Florida this 29th day of May, 2002.


Notary Public, State of Florida
My Commission Expires:



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