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SUBJECT:	ł	KREWE	0F		HIBISCUS	INC	
		(PROPOS	ED CORF	PORATE NA	ME - MUST INCLUI	E SUFFIX)	

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

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& Certified Copy

\$87.50

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ADDITIONAL COPY REQUIRED

FROM: Gregory Coats Name (Printed or typed)	
3830 Chaucer Way	
Land O'Lakes, FL 34639 LAHASSI 26	
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ARTICLES OF INCORPERATION In Compliance with Chapter 617, F.S. (Not for Profit)

ARTICLE 1 – Name

The name of this organization, organized April 27, 2002, shall be known as the Krewe of the Hibiscus Inc.

ARTICLE II – Principal Office

The principle place of business and mailing address is:

3830 Chaucer Way, Land 'O Lakes, FL 34639-6210

Article III – Purpose

The purpose of this krewe:

- 1. To promote true charity
- 2. to encourage social interaction and foster civic pride; and
- 3. to participate in the activities of Tampa's Gasparilla season and other such activities in a manner to determine each year by the board of directors, hereafter referred to as the Officer's Mess.

Article IV – Manner of Election

Section 1. Only active members in good may serve as officers.

Section 2. The officers shall be a Captain (previous Lieutenant), Lieutenant, Purser, First Mate, Second Mate, Provost, Krewe's Director, and Post Captain. The officers shall collectively be known as the Maritime Council.

Section 3. The Krewe's Director shall be appointed by the Maritime Council and shall be selected from the current Chief Petty Officers.



Section 4. The term off office shall be for a period of two years until May 1, 2004 at which time the term will become one year. Each member of the Maritime Council shall advance up one grade in rank as his or her term expires. All terms shall run from May 1st through April 30th the following year.

Section 5. The Maritime Council shall fill all vacancies in office.

Duties of Officers

All officers shall perform the duties prescribed in the adopted parliamentary authority in addition to those specified in these bylaws.

Section 1. The Captain shall:

A. Preside at all meetings of the krewe and the Officer's Mess;

Section 2. The Lieutenant shall:

- A. Preside in the absence of the Captain,
- B. Sign all official documents,
- C. Co-sign checks,
- D. Submit for Officer's Mess approval a proposed budget for the fiscal year, which begins July 1st,
- E. To represent the krewe at all interkrewe functions,
- F. Shall assign all committee officers from the Chief Petty Officers with the exception of the Auditing Committee.

Section 3. The Purser shall:

- A. Preside in the absence of the Lieutenant,
- B. Be responsible for the collection of the assessments and the placing of the funds in a bank approved by the Officer's Mess.

- C. Be custodian of all funds and keep and keep an itemized account of all receipts and disbursements,
- D. Disburse money only at the authorization of the Officer's Mess, either by specific action or adoption of a budget,
- E. Prepare checks for payments and pay bill promptly. All checks to be countersigned by the Lieutenant. In the absence of the Lieutenant or the Purser the Captain my co-sign the checks,
- F. Send a statement of assessments to each member, sixty days prior to the annual meeting.
- G. Notify members who assessments are delinquent, send a report to the Officer's Mess of members whose assessments are delinquent and considered in arrears,
- H. Be bonded and insured at the expense of the krewe,
- Make a financial report to the Officer's Mess and the krewe at every meeting and when otherwise request by the Lieutenant or Officer's Mess,
- J. Submit an audited report, prepared by an auditing committee of three members, at the annual meeting; file any necessary forms with the Internal Revenue Service; and is responsible for obtaining and maintaining IRS nonprofit designation,
- K. Serve as a member of the budget committee
- L. Be responsible for proper and adequate insurance coverage of all the krewe's assets and operations,
- M. Perform other such duties as may be assigned to this office,
- N. Serve as senior officer of the budget committee,
- O. Attend interkrewe functions.

Section 4. The First Mate shall:

A. Preside in the absence of the Lieutenant and the Purser,

- B. Compile, publish and distribute the administrative yearbook (Ship's Log), in cooperation with the Lieutenant,
- C. Perform such other duties as may be assigned to this office,
- D. Record the proceedings of all meetings of the krewe,
- E. Read the minutes of all general meetings to the members,
- F. Conduct any correspondence as shall be requested by the Lieutenant of the Officer's Mess,
- G. Keep the Corporate Seal, a copy of the Articles of Incorporation, the bylaws and such other papers assigned to this office,
- H. Maintain the minutes of all krewe and Officer's Mess meetings by keeping in binders and in a secure place,
- I. Maintain the official list of the names and address of the members of the krewe and the Officer's Mess.

Section 6. The Second Mate shall:

- A. Coordinate all activity chairmen,
- B. Assist other officers as necessary.

Section 7. The Provost shall:

- A. Responsible for all Marshals,
- B. Oversee Discipline Committee to be appointed by the Maritime Council,
- C. Assist other officers as necessary.

Section 8. The Krewe's Director shall:

- A. Coordinate all parades and social events,
- B. Oversee all float operations,

C. Assist other officers as necessary.

Section 9. The Post Captain shall:

- A. Shall be the most recent serving Captain of the krewe,
- B. Will act as an advisory member of the Officer's Mess
- C. Shall have no voting power within the Officer's Mess, but shall be accorded the ability to address and make motions within the Officer's Mess
- D. Shall serve in this capacity until replaced by the retiring Captain of the krewe and then shall return into the membership of the krewe as one of the deckhands.

Article V - Initial Directors/Officers

Captain: Wayne L. Thompson, 1707 Village Court, Brandon, FL 33511

Lieutenant: Gregory Coats, 3830 Chaucer Way, Land 'O Lakes, FL 34639

Purser: Joan Long, 197 Gulf Way, Oldsmar, FL 34677

First Mate: Christine Owens, 6161 N. Memorial Hwy #1801, Tampa, FL 33615

Second Mate: Paul Phipps, 111 Kilsythe St, Oldsmar, FL 34677

Provost: Deanna Tobey, 7353 W. Pocahontas Ave, Tampa, FL 33634

Krewe's Director: Tom Tobey, 7353 W. Pocahontas Ave, Tampa, FL 33634

Chief Petty Officers: Term Ending April 30, 2003

Victoria L. Thompson, 1707 Village Court, Brandon, FL 33511

Waldamar Karg, 6819 S. Himes Ave, Tampa, FL 33611

William Hinds Jr., 10911 Hyacinth Ave, Tampa, FL 33612

Term Ending April 30, 2004

Amanda Edwards, 1421 Holleman, Val Rico, FL 33594

Doug Straw, 14524 Wessex St, Tampa, FL 33625

Colleen Jimenez, 16205 Doublebrook Pl, Tampa, FL 33624

Article VI – Initial Registered Agent and Street Address

Christine Owens, 6161 N. Memorial Hwy #1801, **Tampa, FL 33615**

Article VII – Incorporator

Gregory Coats, 3830 Chaucer Way, Land 'O Lakes, FL 34639

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 appointment as registered agent and agree to act in this capacity.

Signature/Registered Agent

Signature/Incorporator

8-13-07