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Re: Southwood Acres Homeowners Association, Inc.

Gentlemen:

I am enclosing an original and a copy of the Articles of Incorporation with respect to the above-referenced matter. Please file the original and certify the copy to be returned to me. A check in the amount of \$78.75 is enclosed in payment of the filing fee.

Sincerely yours,

*Terry McDavid*

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Enclosures

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ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION  
OF

SOUTHWOOD ACRES HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC.  
(a non-profit corporation)

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The undersigned, desiring to form a corporation not for profit under the laws of the State of Florida, hereby adopts the following articles of incorporation:

ARTICLE I - NAME

The name of the corporation is SOUTHWOOD ACRES HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC.

ARTICLE II - TERM OF EXISTENCE

The period of the duration of the corporation is perpetual, unless dissolved according to law.

ARTICLE III - PURPOSE

The association is organized for the purpose of acquisition and management, maintenance, operation and care of real and personal property, including but without limitation, entrances and signage for Southwood Acres Unit I, a subdivision recorded in Plat Book 3, Page 76, Southwood Acres Unit II, a subdivision recorded in Plat Book 3, Page 82, Southwood Acres Unit III, a subdivision recorded in Plat Book 3, Page 91, and Southwood Acres Unit IV, all of the public records of Columbia County, Florida, and other property nearby or adjacent to those subdivisions, which are owned or controlled by the association or the owners in common.

A. To fix and make assessments and collect the assessment by any lawful means, including foreclosure of any lien filed for such assessment.

B. To borrow money.

C. To use and expend the proceeds of assessments and

borrowings in a manner consistent with the purposes for which this association is formed and to pay debts and obligations of the association.

D. Review plans and specifications of proposed improvements.

E. To maintain, repair, replace, operate, and care for real and personal property, including but without limitation, entrances and signage for Southwood Acres Unit I, a subdivision recorded in Plat Book 3, Page 76, Southwood Acres Unit II, a subdivision recorded in Plat Book 3, Page 82, Southwood Acres Unit III, a subdivision recorded in Plat Book 3, Page 91, and Southwood Acres Unit IV, and other property nearby or adjacent to those subdivisions, all of the public records of Columbia County, Florida, which are owned or controlled by the association or the owners in common.

F. Purchase and maintain insurance.

G. to make, amend, impose, and enforce by any lawful means, reasonable rules and regulations of use of the common areas, entrance areas and association property.

H. To contract for services with others.

I. To do and perform anything required by these articles, the bylaws, or the declaration to be done by the owner, but if not done by the owner in a timely manner, at the expense of Owner.

J. To do and perform any obligations imposed upon the association by the declaration or by any permit or authorization from any unit of local, regional, state, or the federal government and to enforce by any legal means the provisions of these articles, the bylaws and the declaration.

The foregoing specific duties and responsibilities are not

construed in any way as limiting the powers of the association. Rather, the association will have and exercise all the powers conferred upon associations so formed.

#### ARTICLE IV - POWERS

In carrying out its purposes, the corporation shall have all corporate powers now or hereafter provided by the laws of the State of Florida, including, but not limited to:

A. The purchase, ownership, maintenance, control, sale, lease, mortgaging, encumbering or otherwise dealing in any manner with real and personal property of every type, kind and nature.

B. The employment, direction and discharge of personnel necessary to carry out the purposes herein stated.

C. To do any and all things necessary, incidental, or desirable to accomplish any and all of the purposes and objectives for which the corporation is organized, either alone or in association with other corporations, firms or individuals and to carry on any lawful activity necessary or incidental to the accomplishment of the purposes and objectives of the corporation.

D. To make and collect assessments against property owners whose lots are subject to the Restrictions authorizing this corporation and use the proceeds thereof in the exercise of its powers and duties, including, but not limited to the defraying of costs and expense of carrying out its purposes.

E. To maintain, repair, replace and operate property owned, leased or managed by it, purchase insurance thereon, and to make and adopt reasonable regulations respecting the use and appearance

of the entrances and other property owned or controlled by the corporation, and to enforce by all legal means the provisions of these articles of incorporation and any by-laws or regulations adopted pursuant hereto.

The foregoing enumeration of powers shall in no way be construed to limit or restrict in any manner the powers of the corporation as may be otherwise provided or granted by law.

#### ARTICLE V - MEMBERSHIP

Every person or entity who is, from time to time, the record owner of a parcel of land in Southwood Acres Unit I, a subdivision recorded in Plat Book 3, Page 76, Southwood Acres Unit II, a subdivision recorded in Plat Book 3, Page 82, Southwood Acres Unit III, a subdivision recorded in Plat Book 3, Page 91, and Southwood Acres Unit IV, a subdivision recorded in Plat Book 4, Page 7, and other property nearby or adjacent to those subdivisions, all of the public records of Columbia County, Florida, who executes Restrictive Covenants subjecting a parcel to membership in this Association, shall be a member of the association. Membership will be appurtenant to, and may not be separated from the ownership.

#### ARTICLE VI - PRINCIPAL OFFICE, REGISTERED OFFICE AND AGENT

The initial principal office and registered office of the corporation is Route 9, Box 972, Lake City, FL 32024, and the mailing address is P.O. Box 3566, Lake City, FL 32056. The name of its initial Registered Agent at such address is Charles S. Sparks.

#### ARTICLE VII - ORGANIZATION FORM

The corporation is organized upon a non-stock basis.

#### ARTICLE VIII - DISPOSITION OF ASSETS UPON DISSOLUTION

No part of the income of the corporation shall be distributable to its members, directors or officers either during

the existence of the corporation or upon its dissolution; provided, however, that upon dissolution the assets of the corporation shall be transferred to a successor entity, or to the then property owners in the Development.

#### ARTICLE IX - OFFICERS

The officers of the corporation shall be a president, a vice president, secretary, and a treasurer, and such other officers as the members may determine. One person may hold two or more offices.

#### ARTICLE X - ASSESSMENTS

Assessments to each Member for such Member's proportionate share of the Common Expenses shall be computed, assessed and due as provided in the Declaration. Annual assessments, installments thereon or special assessments not paid by the due date, as established by the Declaration, shall bear interest from the due date until paid at the rate of eighteen percent (18%) per annum or such lower rate as the Board of Directors shall determine, shall be subject to a late charge as may be set and uniformly applied by the Board of Directors and shall entitle the Association to reimbursement of attorneys' fees incurred by the Association incident to the collection of any such delinquent assessment. The Association shall have a lien on each Lot and Unit for any unpaid assessment, including special assessments, together with interest thereon, and for reasonable attorney's fees.

#### ARTICLE XI - SUBSCRIBERS AND INITIAL OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS

The subscribers and initial officers and directors of the

corporation are:

<u>NAMES</u>	<u>ADDRESSES</u>
Charles S. Sparks President	Post Office Box 3566 Lake City, FL 32056
James Zuber Vice President	Post Office Box 3566 Lake City, FL 32056
R. Lawton Unrau Secretary/Treasurer	Post Office Box 3566 Lake City, FL 32056

ARTICLE XII - BYLAWS AND AMENDMENT OF ARTICLES

The bylaws will be adopted and may be amended by the Directors or members, consistent with these articles and the declaration by majority vote or written assent of members entitled to exercise voting power.

ARTICLE XIII - DISSOLUTION OF ASSOCIATION


No part of the income of the corporation shall be distributable to its members, directors or officers either during the existence of the corporation or upon its dissolution.

ARTICLE XIV - NAME AND ADDRESS OF INCORPORATOR

The name and address of the incorporator is:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>ADDRESS</u>
Charles S. Sparks	Post Office Box 3566 Lake City, FL 32056

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned incorporator has caused these Articles of Incorporation to be executed this 29<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2002.

  
Charles S. Sparks

STATE OF FLORIDA  
COUNTY OF COLUMBIA

The foregoing Articles of Incorporation were acknowledged before me by Charles S. Sparks, the incorporator named in the foregoing Articles of Incorporation, this 29th day of August, 2002.

DeEtte F. Brown  
Notary Public  
My Commission Expires: \_\_\_\_\_



**ACKNOWLEDGMENT BY RESIDENT AGENT**

Having been named to accept service of process for Southwood Acres Homeowners Association, Inc., at Route 9, Box 972, Lake City, FL 32024, I hereby accept to act in this capacity and agree to comply with the provisions of Florida Statute relative to keeping open said office.

Charles S. Sparks  
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