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RE: Hwy 77 Bingo, Inc.

Dear Sir:

Enclosed are the original and duplicate copies of the Articles of Incorporation of this proposed corporation. The resident agent designation is also enclosed. Please endorse your approval of the Articles of Incorporation on the duplicate copy, certify and return to me.

I have enclosed a check made payable to the Secretary of State in the amount of \$78.87 to cover the fees for the filing of said corporation and for a certified copy of the Articles of Incorporation.

Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

Sincerely yours,



Elizabeth M. Simpson

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FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF STATE  
Katherine Harris  
Secretary of State

April 12, 2001

ELIZABETH M. SIMPSON  
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MARIANNA, FL 32447

SUBJECT: HWY 77 BINGO, INC.  
Ref. Number: W01000008358

We have received your document for HWY 77 BINGO, INC. and your check(s) totaling \$78.75. However, the enclosed document has not been filed and is being returned for the following correction(s):

Section 617.0803, Florida Statutes, requires that the board of directors never have fewer than three directors.

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.

If you have any questions concerning the filing of your document, please call (850) 487-6995.

Wanda Cunningham  
Document Specialist  
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Letter Number: 701A00021911

**ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION**  
**OF**  
**HWY 77 BINGO, INC.**

The undersigned, for the purpose of forming a nonprofit corporation under Florida Statutes Chapter 617, do hereby make and adopt the following articles of Incorporation:

**ARTICLE 1**  
**NAME**

The name of the Corporation is: Hwy 77 Bingo, Inc.

**ARTICLE 2**  
**NOT FOR PROFIT**

The Corporation is a nonprofit corporation under the laws of the State of Florida. The Corporation is not formed for pecuniary profit. No part of the income or assets of the Corporation is distributable to or for the benefit of its Members, Trustees or Officers, except to the extent permissible under law.

**ARTICLE 3**  
**DURATION**

The duration (term) of the Corporation is perpetual.

**ARTICLE 4**  
**PURPOSES**

The Corporation is organized, and shall be operated exclusively, for the following purposes:

A. To exercise all rights and powers conferred by the laws of the State of Florida upon nonprofit corporations, including without limiting the generality of the foregoing, to acquire by bequest, devise, gift, purchase, lease or otherwise any property of any sort or nature without limitation as to its amount or value, and to hold, invest, reinvest, manage, use, apply, employ, sell, expend, disburse, lease, mortgage, convey, option, donate or otherwise dispose of such property and the income, principal and proceeds of such property, for any of the purposes set forth herein.

B. To do such other things as are incidental to the purposes of the Corporation or necessary or desirable in order to accomplish them.

C. Specifically (but without limitation of the foregoing or of any other powers or purposes under applicable Florida law), to provide supported living respite and companion services.

## **ARTICLE 5 LIMITATION**

No part of the net earnings of the Corporation shall inure to the benefit of or be distributable to its Members, Trustees or Officers, but the Corporation shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered (to officers and/or Trustees, or to other persons) and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of the purposes set forth in Article 4 (Purposes) hereof.

## **ARTICLE 6 MEMBERS**

The Corporation shall have Voting Members who shall be elected (and may be removed) by the Voting Members and shall have all the rights and privileges of members of Corporation. The Bylaws may provide for Nonvoting Members of one or more classes, who shall be admitted in such manner and who shall have such rights and privileges as are set forth in the Bylaws, but who shall not have the right to vote. The name and address of each initial Voting Member is as follows:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>
Cecil Richardson	985 4th Avenue Graceville, Florida 32440
Lisa Jones	2828 High Street Logansport, IN 46947
Debrah Martin	2020 Highway 81 Westville, Florida 32464

## **ARTICLE 7 INITIAL REGISTERED OFFICE AND AGENT**

The street address of the initial Registered Office of the Corporation is 5505 College Drive, Graceville, Florida 32440, and the name of its initial Registered Agent at that address is Cecil Richardson.

## **ARTICLE 8 INITIAL BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

The management of the Corporation shall be vested in a Board of Trustees. The numbers of Trustees constituting the initial Board of Trustees is one. The number of Trustees may be increased or decreased from time to time in accordance with the Bylaws, but shall never be less

than one. The Voting Members shall elect the Trustees annually. The Bylaws may provide for ex officio and honorary Trustees, and their rights and privileges. The name and address of each initial Trustee of the Corporation is as follows:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>
Cecil Richardson	985 4th Avenue Graceville, Florida 32440
Lisa Jones	2828 High Street Logansport, IN 46947
Debrah Martin	2020 Highway 81 Westville, Florida 32464

#### **ARTICLES 9 OFFICERS**

The Officers of the Corporation shall consist of a President, Vice-President, and Secretary-Treasurer, and such other Officers and Assistant Officers as may be provided in the Bylaws. Each Officer shall be elected by the Board of Trustees (and may be removed by the Board of Trustees) at such time and in such manner as may be prescribed by the Bylaws. The name and address of each initial Officer of the Corporation is as follows:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>Title</u>
Cecil Richardson	985 4th Avenue Graceville, Florida 32440	President
Lisa Jones	2828 High Street Logansport, IN 46947	Vice-President
Debrah Martin	2020 Highway 81 Westville, Florida 32464	Secretary-Treasurer

#### **ARTICLE 10 INCORPORATORS**

The name and address of each Incorporator is as follows:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>
Cecil Richardson	985 4th Avenue Graceville, Florida 32440
Lisa Jones	2828 High Street Logansport, IN 46947

Debrah Martin

2020 Highway 81  
Westville, Florida 32464

#### **ARTICLE 11 AMENDMENT**

The Corporation reserves the right to amend or repeal any provisions contained in these Articles of Incorporation or any amendment to them, and all rights and privileges conferred upon the Members, Trustees and Officers are subject to this reservation. The Articles of Incorporation may be amended in accordance with the provisions of the laws of the State of Florida, as amended from time to time, unless more specific provisions for amendments are adopted by the Corporation pursuant to law.

#### **ARTICLE 12 TURNOVER OF ASSETS UPON DISSOLUTION**

In the event of dissolution, the residual assets of the Corporation will be turned over to one or more organizations which are themselves exempt under Section 501(c)(3) and/or Section 170(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code (or corresponding sections of past or future law) or to the federal, state or local government for exclusively public purposes.

#### **ARTICLE 13 INDEMNIFICATION**

The Corporation shall indemnify each Officer and Trustee, including former Officers and Trustees, to the full extent permitted by the laws of the State of Florida.

#### **ARTICLE 14 BYLAWS**

The power to adopt, alter, amend and repeal the Bylaws shall be vested in the Board of Trustees, but all alterations, amendments and repeals of the Bylaws must be approved by a majority of the Voting Members.

#### **ARTICLE 15 COMMENCEMENT OF CORPORATE EXISTENCE**

In accordance with the laws of the State of Florida, the date when corporate existence shall commence is the date of subscription and acknowledgment of these Articles of Incorporation.

#### **ARTICLE 16 NONSTOCK BASIS**

This Corporation is organized on a nonstock basis. This Corporation shall not issue

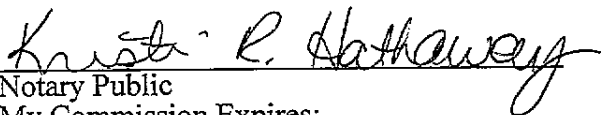
shares of stock.

In Witness Whereof, the undersigned have signed these Articles of Incorporation on this  
7<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2002.

  
CECIL RICHARDSON

STATE OF FLORIDA  
COUNTY OF JACKSON

THE FOREGOING INSTRUMENT was acknowledged before me this 7<sup>th</sup> day of  
October, 2002, by CECIL RICHARDSON, as Incorporator, who is personally  
known to me or who produced FL DL as identification and who  
did take an oath.

  
Notary Public  
My Commission Expires:



CERTIFICATION DESIGNATING PLACE OF BUSINESS OR DOMICILE FOR THE SERVICE  
OF PROCESS WITHIN THIS STATE, NAMING AGENT UPON WHOM PROCESS MAY BE  
SERVED.

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In pursuant of Chapter 48.091, Florida Statutes, the following is submitted in compliance with said  
Act:

**HWY 77 BINGO, INC.**, desiring to organize under the laws of the State of Florida with its  
principal office, as indicated in the Articles of Incorporation at 5505 College Drive, Graceville,  
Florida 32440, County of Jackson, State of Florida, has named Cecil Richardson, 5505 College  
Drive, Graceville, Florida 32440 as its agent to accept service of process within this state.

**ACKNOWLEDGMENT:**

Having been named to accept service of process for the above state corporation, at place  
designated in this certificated, I hereby accept to act in this capacity, and agree to comply with the  
provisions of said Act relative to keeping open said office.

BY   
CECIL RICHARDSON  
REGISTERED AGENT