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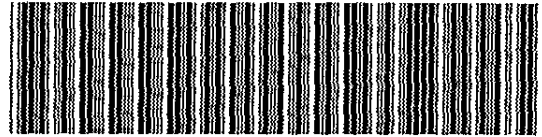
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Department of State
Division of Corporations
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SUBJECT: GREATER EVERGLADES LAND TRUST

Enclosed is an original and one (1) copy of the Articles of Incorporation and By-laws and a check for:

\$70.00 Filing Fee

From: Mimi S. Wolok
1112 Trail Terrace Drive
Naples, FL 34103
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FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Jim Smith
Secretary of State

November 4, 2002

MIMI S. WOLOK
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SUBJECT: GREATER EVERGLADES LAND TRUST
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We have received your document for GREATER EVERGLADES LAND TRUST and your check(s) totaling \$70.00. However, the enclosed document has not been filed and is being returned for the following correction(s):

The name of the corporation must contain a corporate suffix. This suffix may be: CORPORATION, CORP., INCORPORATED, or INC. Sections 617.0401(1)(a) and 617.1506(1), Florida Statutes, prohibits the use of the word COMPANY or CO. in the name of a non-profit corporation.

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.

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Articles of Incorporation
Greater Everglades Land Trust, Inc.

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ARTICLE I

The name of this corporation shall be the Greater Everglades Land Trust, Inc. The principle office and mailing address shall be located at 1112 Trail Terrace Drive, Naples, Florida 34103, in Collier County, Florida.

ARTICLE II

The purposes of this corporation shall be as follows:

To work diligently with landowners, civic leaders, tribal leaders, agricultural interests, governmental agencies involved in Everglades restoration and the public in conserving and preserving an intact Everglades ecoregion through acquisition of property interests.

To purchase open space or otherwise create financial incentives to encourage the preservation of open space for environmental protection and public benefit.

To work with government, civic and tribal leaders to create a positive environment for land protection.

To work with the public to promote awareness of the work of the Everglades Land Trust.

To manage property, primarily for its natural values, to which the land trust owns an interest.

ARTICLE III

The Board of Directors shall consist of not fewer than three (3) persons, the exact number to be determined from time to time in accordance with the By-laws, said By-laws to be adopted by the Initial Incorporators within six (6) months of approval of these Articles.

ARTICLE IV

The Initial Incorporators shall be Matt Bixler, 3671 Winkler Ave. Ext. #1227, Ft. Myers, Florida 33916, Cindy Hackney, 3641 Golden Gate Blvd. East, Naples, Florida 34120, Bobbie Lee Hasty, 11125 Dean Street, Bonita Springs, Florida 34135, and Mimi Wolok, 1112 Trail Terrace Drive, Naples, Florida 34103.

ARTICLE V

This corporation shall have all the powers and authority granted to it under Chapter 617, *Florida Statutes*, unless otherwise limited in the By-laws.

ARTICLE VI

Election and appointment of officers and directors, and qualifications for membership in the organization shall be in accordance with the By-laws.


ARTICLE VII

The registered agent for this corporation shall be Mimi S. Wolok, Attorney at Law, 1112 Trail Terrace Drive, Naples, Florida 34103.

ARTICLE VIII

In the event of dissolution, the residual assets of the corporation shall be transferred to one or more organizations which themselves are exempt as organizations under § 501(c)3 of the *Internal Revenue Code* or corresponding section(s) of any prior or future *Internal Revenue Code*. Further, it is the desire of the corporation that such assets be distributed to those organizations which have substantially similar purposes as those of the Everglades Land Trust

Having been named as registered agent to accept service of process for the above state corporation at the place designated in this certificate, I am familiar with and accept the appointment as registered agent and agree to act in this capacity.



Mimi S. Wolok
Registered Agent

11-7-02
Date