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November 12, 2002

Division of Corporations Florida Department of State 409 East Gaines Street Tallahassee, FL 32399

RE: Martin County LaCrosse Club, Inc.

Dear Sir/Madam:

Enclosed you will find an original and two copies of the Articles of Incorporation of the Martin County LaCrosse Club, Inc. to be filed and registered with your office. Also enclosed is our check in the amount of \$61.25 for same.

Please return a copy to our office after completion. A self-addressed, stamped envelope has been provided for your convenience. If you have any questions regarding this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me.

. Lewis, III, Esq.

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**Enclosures** 

# ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

#### OF

# MARTIN COUNTY LACROSSE CLUB INC.



#### ARTICLE I

#### <u>NAME</u>

The name of this corporation shall be: MARTIN COUNTY LACROSSE CLUB INC.

#### ARTICLE II

#### TERM OF EXISTENCE

This corporation shall exist perpetually.

#### ARTICLE III

#### **PURPOSE**

- A. This Corporation is organized exclusively for charitable, scientific, literary and educational purposes within the meaning of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (or any successor section) and for the additional purpose of
- B. Notwithstanding any other provision contained in these Articles of Incorporation, this Corporation shall not conduct any other activities not permitted to be carried on by an organization exempt from Federal income tax under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 or successor section.
- C. Notwithstanding any other provision contained in these Articles of Incorporation, no substantial part of the corporation's activities shall consist of attempting to influence legislation by propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation in any fashion permitted under applicable Treasury Regulations. The Corporation shall not participate in, or intervene in (including the publishing or distribution of statements) any political campaign on behalf of any candidate for political office and shall further comply with the requirements of all applicable Treasury Regulations.

- D. This Corporation, not for profit, shall have the power to acquire by gift, devise, bequest, purchase, lease or otherwise, and to hold, own, occupy, use, manage, improve, develop, maintain, lease, sell, mortgage, transfer, invest in or reinvest in, or otherwise deal with any real or personal property of whatever kind and description and wherever situation, or with any estate or interest, legal or equitable, in the property, or to borrow money and to make, accept, endorse, execute and issue promissory notes and other obligations in payment for property acquired or money borrowed; an to do all other acts as are necessary or convenient to carry out the purposes set fourth in these Articles.
- E. The Corporation, not for profit, may conduct and transact any activity lawfully authorized and not prohibited by Chapter 617, Florida Statutes, entitled "The Florida Not For Profit Corporation Act", as the same may be, from time to time, amended.

#### ARTICLE IV

#### **MEMBERSHIP**

- A. This Corporation is authorized to issue membership in this Corporation as authorized in Section 617.0601 of the Florida Statutes. The qualifications for members and the manner of their admission will be regulated by the By-Laws of the Corporation.
- B. The initial members and their addresses are:

Alan Pruitt (Check Signer) 1533 N. E. 24<sup>th</sup> Street Jensen Beach, Fl 34957

Richard Castagna 1533 N. E. 24<sup>th</sup> Street Jensen Beach, Fl. 34957

Debra DiDonato (Check Signer) 2288 N. E. Ginger Terrace Jensen Beach, Fl 34957

#### ARTICLE V

#### ADDRESS OF PRINCIPAL OFFICE

The principal office and mailing address of this Corporation shall be:

1115 E Ocean Blvd. Stuart, FL 34996

#### ARTICLE VI

#### INITIAL REGISTERED OFFICE AND AGENT

The street address of the initial registered office of this Corporation is:

1115 E Ocean Blvd. Stuart, FL 34996

The name of the initial agent of this Corporation at this address is:

J.D. Lewis III

#### ARTICLE VII

## **DIRECTORS**

This Corporation shall have (4) directors initially. The number of directors may be either increased or diminished from time to time by the By-Laws but shall never be less then four (4). The qualifications of members of the Board of Directors and the manner of their election will be prescribed by the By-Laws of the Corporation. The names and addresses of the initial Directors of this Corporation are:

Alan Pruitt (President) 1533 N. E. 24<sup>th</sup> Street Jensen Beach, Florida 34957

Debra DiDonato (Vice President) 2288 N. E. Ginger Terrace Jensen Beach, Florida 34957 Nancy Gillan (Treasurer) 5 Palmetto Drive Stuart, Florida 34996

Bill Hawkins (Secretary) 506 N. River Point Drive Stuart, Florida 34994

#### ARTICLE VIII

## INCORPORATOR

The name and address of the person signing the articles are:

Alan Pruitt 1533 N. E. 24<sup>th</sup> Street Jensen Beach, Florida 34957

Debra DiDonato 2288 N. E. Ginger Terrace Jensen Beach, Florida 34957

# ARTICLE IX

# <u>AMENDMENTS</u>

These Articles of Incorporation may be amended in the manner provided by law. Every amendment shall be approved by the Board of Directors, proposed to them by the members and approved at the members' meeting by a least majority of the membership entitled to vote, unless all of the directors and all of the members sign a written statement manifesting their intention taht a certain amendment of these Articles of Incorporation be made.

# ARTICLE X LIMITATION ON THE DISTRIBUTION OF CORPORATE ASSETS AND NET EARNINGS

A. No part of the Corporation's net earnings shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to, its directors, members, officers or other private individuals as prescribed in applicable Treasury Regulations, provide, however, the Corporation is authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of the purposes of this Corporation.

B. In the event of the Corporation's dissolution, the Corporations residual assets will (i) distributed for one or more exempt purposes for which this Corporation was organized, (ii) turned over to one or more organizations which themselves are exempt as organizations described in Section 501(c)(3) and 170(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, or Successor Sections, or (iii) distributed to Federal, State, or local government exclusively for public purposes.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned incorporator has executed these Articles of Incorporation this 12 of November 2002

Alan Pruitt

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#### ACCEPTANCE OF REGISTERED AGENT

Having been named to accept service of process for the above-stated corporation, J.D. Lewis III, at the place designated in the foregoing Articles of Incorporation, I hereby agree to act in that capacity, and I further agree to comply with the provisions of all statutes relative to the proper and complete performance of my duties.

DATED this 12 day of Novembox, 2002

J.D. Lewis