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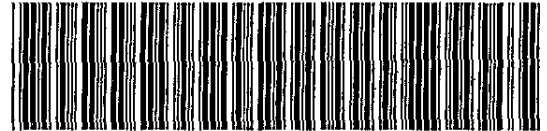
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Department of State
Division of Corporations
P. O. Box 6327
Tallahassee, FL 32314

SUBJECT: Family Network on Disabilities of Southwest Florida, Inc.
(PROPOSED CORPORATE NAME - MUST INCLUDE SUFFIX)

Enclosed is an original and one(1) copy of the articles of incorporation and a check for :

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ADDITIONAL COPY REQUIRED

FROM: Mary Beth Pringle
Name (Printed or typed)

3422 SE. 11th Place
Address

Cape Coral, FL 33904
City, State & Zip

(239) 540-7897
Daytime Telephone number

NOTE: Please provide the original and one copy of the articles.

**ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION
OF**

FAMILY NETWORK ON DISABILITIES OF SOUTHWEST FLORIDA, INC.

The undersigned incorporator by these articles associate themselves for the purpose of forming a charitable corporation, not for profit, pursuant to the laws of the State of Florida, and adopt the following articles of incorporation

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**ARTICLE I.
NAME**

The name of the corporation is: ***FAMILY NETWORK ON DISABILITIES OF SOUTHWEST FLORIDA, INC.***

**ARTICLE II.
ADDRESS OF CORPORATION**

The address of the principle office of the corporation is 1955 Maravilla Ave., Fort Myers, Florida 33901 and the mailing address is P.O. Box 60933, Fort Myers, Florida 33906-6933.

**ARTICLE III.
TERMS OF EXISTENCE**

The association shall have perpetual existence, and the corporate existence will commence on the filing of these articles with the Department of State.

**ARTICLE IV.
PURPOSE**

The purposes for which this corporation is formed are to:

- A. The specific purpose for which the corporation is organized are as follows, exclusively for charitable purposes, to wit:
 - a. To provide family-driven support, training, advocacy, understanding and information to families and individuals with special needs and disabilities.
 - b. Provide information and resources necessary to make fully informed choices from a full continuum of services and service delivery options to families or individuals with any sensory, physical, learning or emotional disability as well as parents of individuals who are medically involved, "at risk", chronically ill or developmentally delayed.
 - c. Provide input into any service or aid in the decision making process of any program that involves people with disabilities.
 - d. Advocate for people with disabilities to receive the best possible support so as to live fully equal lives compared to their non-disabled peers.
- B. Notwithstanding any of the above statements of purposes and powers, this corporation shall not, except to an insubstantial degree, engage in any activities or exercise any powers that are not in furtherance of the primary purpose of this corporation.
- C. The corporation disclaims any profit motive. The purpose of the corporation shall not be to make or earn a profit.
- D. The organization shall have and exercise all rights and powers conferred on nonprofit organizations under the laws of the State of Florida, or which may hereafter be conferred, including the power to contract, rent, buy, or sell personal or real property; provided however, that this organization shall not, except to an insubstantial degree, engage in any

activities or exercise any powers that are not in furtherance of the primary purpose of this organization.

E. Further restrictions on corporate purpose:

- a) The purposes for which the organization is organized are to receive and maintain real or personal property, or both, and, subject to the restrictions and limitations hereinafter set forth, to use and apply the whole or any part of the income there from and the principal thereof exclusively for the charitable, religious, scientific, literary, or educational purposes either directly or by contribution to organizations under Section 501(c)3 of the Internal Revenue Code and Regulations issued pursuant thereto as they now exist or as they may hereinafter be amended
- b) No part of the net earnings of the organization shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to, any Director, Officer, or member of the organization, or any other private individual (except that reasonable compensation may be paid for services rendered to or for the organization, and reasonable expenses may be paid thereto, affecting one or more of the organizations purposes), and no Director or Officer of the organization, or any private individual shall be entitled to share in the distribution of any of the corporate assets on dissolution of the organization. No substantial part of the activities of the organization shall include the carrying on of propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and the organization shall neither participate nor intervene (including the publication or distribution of statements) in any political campaign on behalf of any candidate for public office, at any time.
- c) The organization shall distribute its income for each taxable year at such time and in such manner as not to become subject to tax on undistributed income imposed by Section 4942 of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding provisions of any subsequent federal tax laws
- d) The organization shall not engage in any act of self-dealing as defined in Section 494 I (d) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding provisions of any subsequent federal tax laws.
- e) The organization shall not make any investments in such manner as to subject it to tax under Section 4944 of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding provisions of any subsequent federal tax laws.
- f) The organization shall not make any taxable expenditures as defined in Section 4945(d) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding provisions of any subsequent federal tax laws.
- g) Notwithstanding any other provision of these bylaws, the organization shall not conduct or carry on any activities not permitted to be conducted or carried on by an organization exempt from taxation under Section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code and Regulations issued pursuant thereto as they now exist or as they may hereafter be amended, or by an organization, contributions to which are deductible under Section 170(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code and the Regulations as they now exist or as they may hereafter be amended.
- h) Upon the dissolution of the organization, the Board of Directors shall, after paying or making provision for the payment of all of the liabilities of the organization, dispose of all of the assets of the organization exclusively for the purposes of the organization in such manner, or to such organization or organizations organized and operated

exclusively for charitable, educational., religious, or scientific purposes as shall at the time qualify as an exempt organization or organizations under Section 501(c)3 of the Internal Revenue Code (or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law), as the Board of Directors shall determine. Any of such assets not so disposed of shall be disposed of by the Circuit Court of the county in which the principal office of the organization is then located, exclusively for such purposes or to such organization or organizations, as the Court shall determine, which are organized and operated exclusively for such purposes

ARTICLE V.

MEMBERS

The qualification of members and the manner of their admission shall be as regulated by the bylaws.

ARTICLE VI.

DIRECTORS

The method of the election of Directors of the corporation shall be as regulated by the bylaws.

ARTICLE VII.

POWERS

The corporation shall have and exercise all rights and powers conferred on nonprofit corporations under the laws of the State of Florida, or which may hereafter be conferred, including the power to contract, rent, buy, or sell personal or real property; provided however, that this corporation shall not, except to an insubstantial degree, engage in any activities or exercise any powers that are not in furtherance of the primary purpose of this corporation.

ARTICLE VIII.

INITIAL REGISTERED OFFICE AND AGENT

The street address of the initial registered office of the corporation is . and the name of the initial registered agent of the corporation at the address is 1955 Maravilla Ave., Fort Myers, Florida 33901 and the mailing address is P.O. Box 60933, Fort Myers, Florida 33906-6933. Mary Beth Pringle, Executive Director. The officers may from time to time select and so communicate by appropriate notice to the Department of State, another registered and registered agent or both.

ARTICLE IX

INITIAL BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The corporation shall have three (4) directors initially. The number of Directors may be either increased or diminished from time to time by the bylaws but shall never be less than three (3). The names and address of the following initial directors of the corporation are:

President-D	Vice President-D	Secretary-D	Treasurer-D
Rose Adams	Kathy Hoffman	Joanne Basler	Kristin Hollway
2621 NW 3rd Place	718 SW 9th St	327 Eland Dr.	2701 Engret Ct.
Cape Coral, Florida	Cape Coral, FL	N. Ft. Myers , Fl	St. James City, FL
33993	33991	33917	33956
(239) 458-0605	(239)772-4739	(239)995-2563	(239)283-0733

**ARTICLE IX.
INCORPORATOR**

The name and address of the person signing these articles is:

NAME	ADDRESS
Mary Beth Pringle	3422 S.E. 11th Place Cape Coral, Florida 33904-4209

**ARTICLE XI.
BYLAWS**

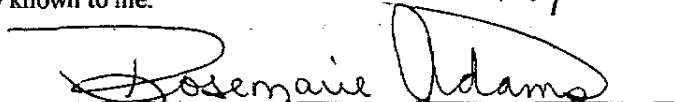
The power to adopt, alter, amend or repeal bylaws shall be vested in the Board of Directors.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned subscriber has executed these articles of Incorporation this 5th day of ~~APRIL~~ MAY, 2003.


Mary Beth Pringle

STATE OF FLORIDA
COUNTY OF LEE

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this 5th day of ~~APRIL~~ MAY, 2003, by Mary Beth Pringle, who is personally known to me.



Notary Public

Typed Name:

My Commission Number is:

My Commission Expires:

**OFFICIAL SEAL
ROSEMARIE ADAMS
NOTARY PUBLIC • FLORIDA
COMMISSION #DD154353
MY COMMISSION EXP. OCTOBER 28, 2006**

**CERTIFICATE OF DESIGNATION OF
REGISTERED AGENT/REGISTERED OFFICE**

PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 607.0501 OR 617.050 1, FLORIDA STATUTES, THE UNDERSIGNED CORPORATION, ORGANIZED UNDER THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF FLORIDA, SUBMITS THE FOLLOWING STATEMENT IN DESIGNATING THE REGISTERED OFFICE/REGISTERED AGENT, IN THE STATE OF FLORIDA.

1. The Name of the corporation is: FAMILY NETWORK ON DISABILITIES OF SOUTHWEST FLORIDA, INC.

2. The Name and address of the registered agent and office is: Mary Beth Pringle, Executive Director, 1955 Maravilla Ave., Fort Myers, Florida 33901 and the mailing address is P.O. Box 60933, Fort Myers, Florida 33906-6933.

ACCEPTANCE

Having been named as registered agent and to accept service of process for the above stated corporation at the place designated in this certificate, I hereby accept the appointment as registered agent and agree to act in this capacity. I further agree to comply with the provisions of all statutes relating to the proper and complete performance of my duties, and I am familiar with and accept the obligations of my position as registered agent.


Mary Beth Pringle

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(Date)

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