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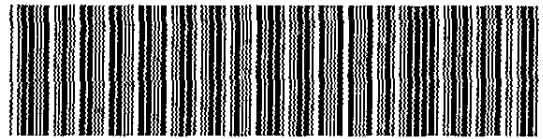
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## TRANSMITTAL LETTER

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SUBJECT: CONNECTED COMMUNITIES OF THE BIG BEND, 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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FROM:

LEON JACOB

Name (Printed or typed)

P.O. Box 1101

Address

TAL - FL 32302

City, State & Zip

850-668-2275

Daytime Telephone number

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

**ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION  
OF**

**Connected Community Alliance of the Big Bend, Inc.**

The undersigned, for the purpose of forming a nonprofit corporation under the Florida Not For Profit Corporation Act, Chapter 617, Florida Statutes, do hereby make and adopt the following articles of incorporation:

**Article I - Name**

The name of this corporation shall be the Connected Community Alliance of the Big Bend, Inc.

**Article II - Address**

The address of the principal office and mailing address of the corporation is: P.O. Box 1101, Tallahassee, Florida 32302.

**Article III - Initial Registered Office and Agent**

E. Leon Jacobs, Jr.  
2901 Falling Waters Way  
Tallahassee, Florida 32309

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**Article IV - Not For Profit Status**

The corporation is a not for profit corporation established pursuant to Chapter 617, Florida Statutes. 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 directors or officers, except to the extent permissible under these articles, under law and under 26 USCA ss. 501(c)(3) (referred to herein as "Code"). No member shall have any vested right, interest in or privilege to the assets, income or property of the corporation, and no part of the income or assets of the corporation shall be distributable to or for the benefit of the members, except to the extent permissible under these articles, under law and under the Code.

**Article VI - Duration**

The duration (term) of the corporation is perpetual.

## **Article V - Purposes**

The corporation is organized, and shall be operated exclusively for charitable, scientific and educational purposes, including but not limited to uniting the various community, educational, governmental and business sectors throughout the North-Central Florida Panhandle area in order to raise the quality of life for all citizens, to bring all facets of the community into the mainstream of education and governance, to establish a more progressive economic platform for businesses, and to facilitate more inclusive civic and government platforms by focusing on the convergence of information technology with electronic media information applications, and the integration of these technologies into community and economic planning for the Big Bend area.

## **Article VI - Tax Exempt Status**

It is intended that the corporation shall have and continue to have the status of a corporation that is exempt from federal income taxation pursuant to 26 USCA § 501 (c)(3), and, is other than a private foundation as defined in 26 USCA § 509. These articles shall be construed accordingly, and all powers and activities of the corporation shall be limited accordingly. The corporation shall not carry on propaganda or otherwise attempt to influence legislation to such an extent as would result in the loss of the exemption under the Code. All references in these articles to the Internal Revenue Code shall be considered references to the IRS Code of 1986, as amended from time-to-time, and to the corresponding provisions of any similar law subsequently enacted.

## **Article VII - Dissolution**

Upon the dissolution of this corporation, the board of directors, formulated pursuant to these articles and duly enacted bylaws of the corporation, shall, after paying or making provision for payment of all liabilities of the corporation, distribute all of the assets of the corporation exclusively for charitable, scientific or educational purposes in such manner and to such qualified organization(s) as the board of directors shall determine. Any of the assets not so distributed shall be distributed in accordance with the direction of any court having jurisdiction in the county in which the principal office of the corporation is then located, exclusively for the above purposes of the corporation or to a qualified organization or organizations as the court shall determine. For purposes of this article, an organization is a "qualified organization" only if, at the time of receiving the assets, it is operated exclusively for the purposes described in 26 USCA § 170(c)(1), or 26 USCA §. 170(c)(2)(B), and is described in 26 USCA §§ 509(a)(1), (2) or (3).

#### **Article XII - Board of Directors**

There shall be a board of directors consisting of at least three individuals. The initial directors are designated by the incorporator. After that, each director shall be elected by majority vote of the board of directors in the manner and at the times set forth in the bylaws of this corporation.

The initial directors are:  
Claudette Harrell  
1017 Epping Forest Drive  
Tallahassee, Florida 32317

Roger Kaufman  
1213 Lasswade Drive  
Tallahassee, Florida

Robert Nixon  
100 North Duval St.  
Tallahassee, Florida 32302

E. Leon Jacobs, Jr.  
2901 Falling Waters Way  
Tallahassee, Fl 32309

Blan McBride  
609 Piedmont  
Tallahassee, Fl 32312

#### **Article XIV - Incorporator**

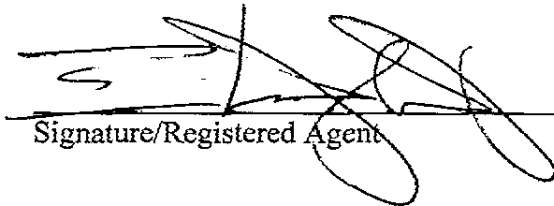
The name and street address of the incorporator is as follows:

E. Leon Jacobs, Jr.  
2901 Falling Waters Way  
Tallahassee, Fl 32309

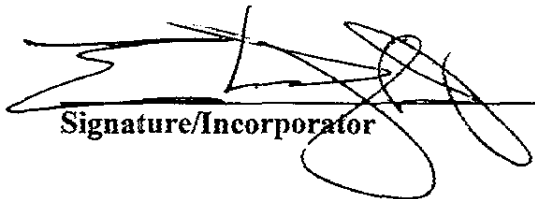
#### **Article XV - Bylaws**

The bylaws of this corporation are to be made and adopted by the board of directors, and may be altered, amended or rescinded by the board of directors.

*Having been named as registered agent to accept service of process for the above stated 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.*

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature/Registered Agent

10/9/03  
Date

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature/Incorporator

10/9/03  
Date