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December 23, 2003

SENT VIA U.S. EXPRESS MAIL

Secretary of State
Division of Corporations
Post Office Box 6327
Tallahassee, FL 32314
Attn: Registration Section

Re:

Taylor County Crime Stoppers, Inc.

Articles of Incorporation

Dear Sir/Madam:

Please find enclosed the original and one copy of the Articles of Incorporation of Taylor County Crime Stoppers, Inc. I have enclosed a check in the amount of \$125.00 covering the filing fee.

Should you have any questions regarding the foregoing, please do not hesitate to call. Thank you for your assistance to this matter.

Sincerely,

Melanie A. Vaughn Legal Assistant

Enclosures

ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

OF

TAYLOR COUNTY CRIME STOPPERS, INC.

A FLORIDA NONPROFIT CORPORATION

ARTICLE ONE

Name

The name of the Corporation is TAYLOR COUNTY CRIME STOPPERS, INC,

ARTICLE TWO

Principal Office and Address

The address of the principal office of the corporation is 105 1/2 N. Jefferson St., Perry, Florida 32347, and the mailing address of the corporation is the same.

ARTICLE THREE

Duration

The term of existence of the Corporation is perpetual; and the corporate existence will commence on the filing of these articles by the Department of State.

ARTICLE FOUR

Purpose

The purpose or purposes for which the Corporation is organized is primarily to furnish law enforcement agencies with information on unsolved felony crimes, on wanted persons, and other criminal activity that has been unavailable through normal investigative methods; to promote community involvement in all aspects of law enforcement; to develop a community offensive against violent crimes and property crimes; to motivate the public to cooperate with law enforcement; and to reward such involvement. Furthermore:

- (1) The purposes for which the corporation 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 therefrom and the principal thereof exclusively for charitable, religious, scientific, literary, or educational purposes either directly or by contributions to organizations that qualify as exempt organizations under <u>Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code</u> and Regulations issued pursuant thereto as they now exist or as they may hereafter be amended.
- (2) No part of the net earnings of the corporation shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to, any Director, Officer, or member of the corporation, or any other private individual (except that reasonable compensation may be paid for services rendered to or for the corporation, and reasonable expenses may be paid thereto, affecting one or more of the corporation's purposes), and no Director or Officer of the corporation, or any private individual shall be entitled to share in the distribution of any of the corporate assets on dissolution of the corporation. No substantial part of the activities of the corporation shall include the carrying on of propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and the corporation 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.
- (3) The corporation 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 <u>Section 4942 of the Internal Revenue Code</u>, or corresponding provisions of any subsequent federal tax laws.
- (4) The corporation shall not engage in any act of self-dealing as defined in Section 4941(d) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding provisions of any subsequent federal tax laws.
- (5) The corporation shall not retain any excess business holdings as defined in <u>Section 4943(c)</u> of the <u>Internal Revenue Code</u>, or corresponding provisions of any subsequent federal tax laws.
- (6) The corporation shall not make any investments in such manner as to subject it to tax under <u>Section 4944 of the Internal Revenue Code</u>, or corresponding provisions of any subsequent federal tax laws.
- (7) The corporation 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.
- (8) Notwithstanding any other provision of these Articles of Incorporation, the corporation 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.
- (9) Upon the dissolution of the corporation, the Board of Directors shall, after

paying or making provision for the payment of all of the liabilities of the corporation, dispose of all of the assets of the corporation exclusively for the purposes of the corporation 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 provisions 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 corporation 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 FIVE

Directors

The method of election of the directors of the Corporation is set forth in the bylaws.

ARTICLE SIX

Registered Office and Agent

The initial registered office of the Corporation shall be located at 105 ½ N. Jefferson Street, Perry, Florida. The initial registered agent of the Corporation at that address shall be LESLIE SWANN.

ARTICLE SEVEN

Incorporators

The names and residence addresses of the incorporators are:

Name Address

DAN SIMMONS - 3475 Henry Lee Road, Perry, Florida 32348

DOUG EVERETT - 110 Ridge Road, Perry, Florida 32347

LESLIE SWANN - 105 1/2 N. Jefferson Street, Perry, Florida 32347

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, We have subscribed our names this ___ day of December, 2003.

[DAN SIMMONS], Incorporator

[signature]

[DOUG EVERETT], Incorporator

[LESUE SWANN], Incorporator [signature]

This instrument was prepared by GREGORY S. PARKER, whose address is P.O. DRAWER 509, PERRY, FLORIDA 32348

ACCEPTANCE BY AGENT

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 may duties, and I am familiar with and accept the obligations of my position as registered agent.

Signature of Resident Agent