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March 1, 2004

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

· Dear Sir:

Re: MIDLAND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL, INC.

Enclosed please find the following:

Original Articles of Incorporation for Midland Economic Development Council, Inc.

Copy of Articles of Incorporation Check for \$35.00 - filing fee

Please process the above application. If you have any questions, do not hesitate to contact me.

Very truly yours,

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Enclosures

ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

The undersigned incorporator, for the purpose of forming a corporation under the Florida Not for Profit Corporation Act, hereby adopt(s) the following Articles of Incorporation:

ARTICLE I NAME

The name of the corporation shall be:

MIDLAND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL, INC.

ARTICLE II PRINCIPAL OFFICE

The principal place of business and mailing address of this corporation shall be:

1424 US 27 North Avon Park, Florida 33825

ARTICLE III PURPOSE

The specific purpose for which the corporation is organized is:

to provide resources to enhance the economic vitality and diversity of the City of Avon Park, Florida, and the surrounding area.

ARTICLE IV MANNER OF ELECTION OF DIRECTORS

The manner in which the directors are elected or appointed is:

The corporation shall have not less than six or more than fifteen directors elected in accordance with the By-Laws.

ARTICLE V MEMBERSHIP

Any individual or corporate entity interested in the economic development of Avon Park, South Polk County, and Hardee County area shall be entitled to membership.

ARTICLE VI OFFICERS

Officers shall be President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer and shall be elected by the directors.

ARTICLE VII INITIAL BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The initial Board of Directors to serve terms as set forth in the By-Laws are:

John Gross 13 Lake Byrd Blvd. Avon Park, Florida 33825 Allen Sullivan 2945 Lake Avenue Frostproof, Florida 33843 SECRETARY OF STATE STORE OR ALIONS

Larry Rogers 2485 Lake Lillian Drive Avon Park, Florida 33825 Kathy Waggoner 2600 North King Road Avon Park, Florida 33825

James V. See, Jr. 1405 Stenstrom Road Wauchula, Florida 33873

ARTICLE VIII INITIAL REGISTERED AGENT AND STREET ADDRESS

The name and Florida street address of the initial registered agent are:

David F. Lanier Attorney 30 East Main Street Avon Park, Florida 33825

ARTICLE IX INCORPORATOR

The names and addresses of the Incorporator to these Articles of Incorporation are:

John Gross 13 Lake Byrd Blvd. Avon Park, Florida 33825 Allen Sullivan 2945 Lake Avenue Frostproof, Florida 33843

Larry Rogers 2485 Lake Lillian Drive Avon Park, Florida 33825 Kathy Waggoner 2600 North King Road Avon Park, Florida 33825

James V. See, Jr. 1405 Stenstrom Road Wauchula, Florida 33873 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 accept the obligations of my position as registered agent.

Signed

David F. Lanier

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SECRETARY OF STATE BIVISION OF CORPORATIONS

Signed February 17, 2004

John Gross

STATE OF FLORIDA COUNTY OF HIGHLANDS

Before me personally appeared John Gross to me well known and known to me to be the persons described in and who executed the foregoing instrument, and acknowledged to and before me that the executed instrument for the purposes therein expressed.

Witness my hand and official seal, this 17th day of 7th 12004.

Notary Public

(Seal)



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STATE OF FLORIDA COUNTY OF HIGHLANDS

Larry Rogers

Before me personally appeared Larry Rogers to me well known and known to me to be the persons described in and who executed the foregoing instrument, and acknowledged to and before me that the executed instrument for the purposes therein expressed.

Witness my hand and official seal, this 17 day of

RUTH O. CORNWELL
MY COMMISSION # DD 032809
PUERRIPES June 11, 2005
Bonded Thru Notary Public Underwriters

Ruth O. Cornwell

James V. See, Jr.

STATE OF FLORIDA COUNTY OF HIGHLANDS

Before me personally appeared James V. See, Jr. to me well known and known to me to be the persons described in and who executed the foregoing instrument, and acknowledged to and before me that the executed instrument for the purposes therein expressed.

Witness my hand and official seal, this 24 day of

2004.

LARRY E. ROGERS MY COMMISSION # DD (59926 EXPIRES: September 24, 2005 Bonded Thru Notary Public Underenters

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STATE OF FLORIDA COUNTY OF HIGHLANDS

Before me personally appeared Allen Sullivan to me well known and known to me to be the persons described in and who executed the foregoing instrument, and acknowledged to and before me that the executed instrument for the purposes therein expressed.

Witness my hand and official seal, this 18 day of February , 2004.

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STATE OF FLORIDA COUNTY OF HIGHLANDS

Before me personally appeared Kath Waggoner to me well known and known to me to be the persons described in and who executed the foregoing instrument, and acknowledged to and before me that the executed instrument for the purposes therein expressed.

Witness my hand and official seal, this 17TH day of FEBRUARY , 2004.

Notary Public (Seal)

