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

Subject: Charlotte Orchid Society, Inc.

Enclosed is an original and one copy of the articles of incorporation and a check as follows:

\$35 filing fee, \$35 designation of registered agent, and \$8.75 for a certified copy totalling \$78.75.

From:

Charlotte Orchid Society, Inc. P.O. Box 496262 Port Charlotte, Florida 33949-6262 941-255-5120

ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

In compliance with Chapter 617, F.S.(Not for Profit)

ARTICLE I NAME

The name of the corporation shall be: Charlotte Orchid Society, Inc.

ARTICLE II PRINCIPAL OFFICE

The principal place of business and mailing address of this corporation shall be: Post Office Box 496262, Port Charlotte, Florida 33949-6262

ARTICLE III PURPOSE

The purpose for which the corporation is organized is:

To promote and aid in every way the culture and preservation of orchids of all kinds.

To promote and extend the knowledge of orchids and appreciation of orchids in the general public. To disseminate information concerning the culture and hybridization of orchids, and preservation of habitat, by means of exhibitions, lectures, and publications.

ARTICLE IV MANNER OF ELECTION

A nominating committee of 3 Charlotte Orchid Society members shall submit the names of all candidates for officers and trustees at the December meeting. All members present at this meeting may nominate a member for an office and cast a ballot for the nominees.:

ARTICLE V INITIAL DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS

Maureen Strange, President 1282 Aken St., Port Charlotte, Florida 33952

Jackie Weber, Vice-President and Norm Weber, Trustee 5328 Rumson Rd., North Port, Florida 34288-2313

Lynn Teehan, Treasurer 23217 McCandless Ave., Port Charlotte, Florida 33989

Kathy Caldwell, Secretary 1540 Schenley St., Port Charlotte, Florida 33952

Sandra Dobie, Trustee 108 SE Colonial St., Port Charlotte, Florida 33952

Joni Harasymiw, Trustee 220 Gregory Dr., Port Charlotte, Florida 33952

ARTICLE VI INITIAL REGISTERED AGENT

Maureen Strange, 1282 Aken Street, Port Charlotte, Florida 33952

ARTICLE VII INCORPORATOR

The name and address of the incorporator is Joni Harasymiw, 220 Gregory Dr., Port Charlotte, Florida 33952

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.

Signed Registered Agent

Date 4-12-2004

Signed Incorporator