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SUBJECT: Hillsboro	ugh County Ag-Venture	, Inc.		
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ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

OF

HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY AG-VENTURE, INC.

The undersigned, all being natural persons and acting as incorporators of this corporation

Chapter 617 of the Florida Statutes, hereby form a corporation not for profit under the laws of the State of Florida and adopt the following Articles of Incorporation for such corporation.

ARTICLE I - NAME OF CORPORATION

The name of the corporation is Hillsborough County Ag-Venture, Inc.

ARTICLE II - ADDRESS OF PRINCIPAL OFFICE

The street address of the principal office of the corporation is 100 S. Mulrennan Road, Valrico, FL 33594, which is physically in the county of Hillsborough.

#### <u>ARTICLE III - PURPOSE AND POWER OF THE CORPORATION</u>

- (a) The corporation is organized and will be operated exclusively for religious. charitable scientific, literary and education purposes within the meaning of 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.
- (b) Specifically, the corporation is organized to assist the community in developing an understanding and appreciation of Florida's multi-faceted agriculture industry and its relationship to our economy, environment, health and quality of life.
- (c) In pursuance of these purposes it shall have the powers to carry on any business or other activity that may be lawfully conducted by a corporation organized under the laws of the State of Florida.
- (d) No part of the net earnings of the corporation shall inure to the benefit or of be distributed to any director, employee or other individual, partnership, estate, trust or corporation having a personal or private interest in the corporation.

# ARTICLE IV - ELECTION OF DIRECTORS

- (a) The number of directors constituting the initial Board of Directors is four (4).
- (b) The members of the Board of Directors shall be those individuals elected, from time to time, in accordance with the Bylaws. The number of directors may be increased or decreased from time to time in accordance with the Bylaws of this corporation, but shall not be less than three. The board of Directors as described in the bylaws shall regulate the internal affairs of the corporation.

#### ARTICLE V - INITIAL DIRECTORS

The names and addresses, including street number, of the persons who are to serve as the initial directors until the first annual meeting, or until their successors are elected and qualified, are:

Name	<u>Address</u>	•
Vina Jean Banks	P. O. Box 11766 4800 Highway 301 N	Tampa, FL 33680 Tampa, FL 33610
Jackie Hunter	5339 CR 579	Seffner, FL 33584
Lisa Hinton	P.O. Box 11766 4800 Highway 301 N	Tampa, FL 33680 Tampa, FL 33610
Judi Whitson	100 S. Mulrennan Rd.	Valrico, Fl 33594

# ARTICLE VI - INITIAL REGISTERED OFFICE AND REGISTERED AGENT

The street address of the initial registered office of this corporation is 100 S. Mulrennan Rd., Valrico, FL 33594, and the name of the initial registered agent of this corporation at that address is Judi Whitson. The mailing address for the registered agent is 100 S. Mulrennan Road, Valrico, Fl 33594. The Board of Directors may from time to time designate a new registered office and registered agent.

# <u>ARTICLE VII – INCORPORATORS</u>

The names and address of the incorporators of this corporation are:

Vina Jean Banks, FL State Fair Authority, P. O. Box 11766, (4800 Highway 301 N Tampa, FL 33610) Tampa, FL 33680

Jackie Hunter, Cooperative Extension Service, 5339 CR 579, Seffner, FL 33584

Lisa Hinton, Fl State Fair Authority, P.O. Box 11766, (4800 Highway 301 N

Tampa, FL 33610) Tampa, FL 33680

Judi Whitson, Hills. Co Farm Bureau, 100 S. Mulrennan Rd., Valrico, Fl 33594

Georgene Bender, Cooperative Extension Service, 5339 CR 579, Seffner, FL 33584

#### ARTICLE VIII - DISSOLUTION OF THE CORPORATION

(a) Upon dissolution of the corporation, its assets shall be disposed of exclusively for the purposes of the corporation or distributed to such organizations organized and operated exclusively for charitable purposes, which shall, at the time, qualify as exempt organizations under section 501 (c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. In no event may the assets to be disposed be distributed to or for the benefit of any director, officer or other private person other than as reasonable payment for services rendered by such person.

## **ARTICLE IX – MEMBERS**

This corporation shall have no members.

## ARTICLE X - TERM OF EXISTANCE

This corporation shall have perpetual existence, commencing on the date of filing of these Articles of Incorporation.

IN WITNESS THEREOF, we have hereunto set our hands and seal this 27-day of May 2004.

Wina Jean Banks

Jackie Hunter

Judi Whitson

# ACCEPTANCE OF REGISTERED AGENT

Having been named to accept service of process for HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY AG-VENTURE, INC. at the place designated in the articles of incorporation, the undersigned is familiar with and accepts the obligations of that position pursuant to F.S. 607.0501(3).

> Madi Whitson 100 S. Mulrennan Road

Valrico, FL 33594