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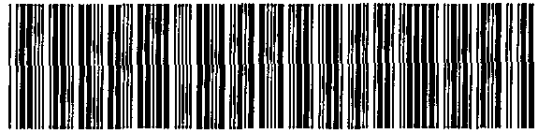
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TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Department of State
Division of Corporations
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SUBJECT: BABCOCK PRESERVATION PARTNERSHIP, 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: KEN HEATHERINGTON
Name (Printed or typed)
SOUTHWEST FLORIDA REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL
4980 BAYLINE DR, 4TH FLOOR
Address
NORTH FORT MYERS, FL 33917
City, State & Zip
239-056-7720, ext 222
Daytime Telephone number

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

**ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION
of
Babcock Preservation Partnership, Inc.**

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The undersigned subscribers to these Articles of Incorporation, each a natural person competent to contract, hereby associate themselves together to form a Corporation, not for profit, under Chapter 617, Florida Statutes.

ARTICLE I - NAME

The name of the Corporation shall be:

BABCOCK PRESERVATION PARTNERSHIP, INC.

ARTICLE II - PRINCIPAL OFFICE

The principal office of the Corporation is at 4980 Bayline Drive, 4th Floor, Fort Myers, FL 33917. The principal office may be changed from time to time by the Directors of the Corporation.

ARTICLE III - PURPOSE

This Corporation is organized for non-profit purposes as follows:

1. To support the preservation, conservation and management of the natural resources and wildlife habitat on and around the real property known as Babcock Ranch and Telegraph Swamp in Charlotte and Lee Counties, Florida.
2. To solicit and receive funds, gifts, endowments, donations, devises and bequests.
3. To cooperate with public and private, local, regional, state and federal, profit and non-profit, organizations, individuals and other entities having similar or related objectives in the acquisition, preservation, conservation and management of the natural resources and wildlife habitat on and around the real property known as Babcock Ranch and Telegraph Swamp.
4. To provide opportunities for research and education about the natural resources, wildlife habitat and outdoor recreation on and about the real property known as Babcock Ranch and Telegraph Swamp.
5. To exercise all of the powers enumerated in Chapter 617, Florida Statutes, as the same now exists or is subsequently amended or superseded, and to do and perform such acts and to have such powers as shall be desirable and necessary in furtherance of any of the powers herein above enumerated which are not in derogation of the laws of the State of

Florida or the United States of America; provided, however, that the Corporation, in exercising any one or more powers, shall do so in furtherance of the exempt purposes for which it has been organized as described in Section 501(c)(3) or the Internal Revenue Code of the United States of America or any amendments or additions thereto.

6. Said organization is organized exclusively for charitable, religious, literary, educational, and scientific purposes, including, for such purposes, the making of distributions to organizations that qualify as exempt organizations section 501 (c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 or corresponding section of any future United States Internal Revenue law or to organizations that contributions to which are deductible under section 170(c) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 or corresponding section of any future United States Internal Revenue law.
7. No part of the net earnings of the organization shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to its members, Directors, officers, or other private persons, except that the organization shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of the purposes set forth in the purpose clause hereof. The organization will not, as a substantial part of its activities, attempt to influence legislation and will not participate in, or intervene in (including the publishing or distribution of statements) any political campaign on behalf of any candidate for public office. Notwithstanding any other provision of this document, the organization shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on (a) by an organization exempt from federal income tax under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code, or (b) by an organization, contributions to which are deductible under section 170(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code.
8. Upon the dissolution of the organization, the Board of Directors shall, after paying or making provision for the payment of all liabilities of the corporation, dispose of all of its assets to one or more organizations then an exempt organization within the meaning of section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code, or shall be distributed to the federal government, or to a state or local government, for a public purpose. Any such assets not disposed of shall be disposed of by the circuit court of the county in which the principal office of the organization is then located, exclusively for such purposes or to such organization or organizations, as said Court shall determine, which are organized and operated exclusively for such purposes.

ARTICLE IV - MEMBERSHIP

The membership of this Corporation shall consist of those persons as may hereafter be admitted to membership pursuant to the By-Laws of the Corporation. Members may be classified into different categories. The authorized number and qualifications of the members of the Corporation, the manner of their admission, the voting and other rights and privileges of members shall be set forth in the By-Laws.

ARTICLE V - MANNER OF ELECTION

1. The officers of the corporation shall consist of a President, Vice President and Secretary/Treasurer, and such other officers as may be provided for in the By-Laws of the corporation. The powers, duties, terms of office and manner of election of the officers shall be as set forth in the By-Laws of the corporation. The persons who are to serve as the initial Officers are the same as the initial Board of Directors.
2. The affairs of the corporation shall be managed by its Board of Directors. There shall not be less than three (3) Directors. The Directors shall be members of the Corporation. The number of Directors, and their qualifications, powers, duties, method of election, and terms of office shall be as set forth in the By-Laws of the corporation.
3. The membership shall adopt the initial By-Laws, and shall have the power to alter, amend, or repeal the By-Laws, or adopt new By-Laws.
4. Amendments to these Articles of Incorporation may be proposed by any Director of the corporation and shall be adopted by the affirmative vote of not less than two-thirds of the members of the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE VI - INITIAL OFFICERS

NAME

ADDRESS

President
Robert Janes

2120 Main Street
Fort Myers, FL 33901

Vice-President
Adam Cummings

18500 Murdock Circle
Port Charlotte, Florida 33948

Secretary/Treasurer
David Y. Burr

4980 Bayline Drive, 4th Floor
North Fort Myers, FL 33917

ARTICLE VII - INITIAL REGISTERED AGENT AND STREET ADDRESS

NAME

ADDRESS

Elizabeth Donley

4980 Bayline Drive, 4th Floor
North Fort Myers, FL 33917

ARTICLE VII - INCORPORATOR

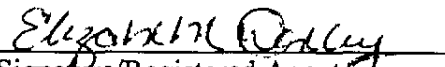
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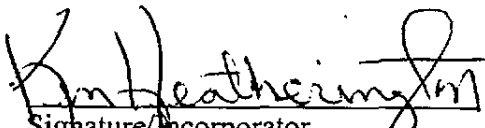
Ken Heatherington

4980 Bayline Drive, 4th Floor
North Fort Myers, FL 33917

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.


Signature/Registered Agent

6/29/04
Date


Signature/Incorporator

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Date

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