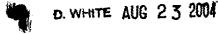
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SUBJECT: Chart	er Oak Wildlife C (PROPOSED CORPORATI	enter, Inc.	DE SUFFIX)
Enclosed is an original	and one(1) copy of the Articl	es of Incorporation and	a check for:
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ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

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SECRETARY OF STATE CHARTER OAK WILDLIFE CENTER INCASSEF FLORIDA

(a corporation not for profit)

The undersigned, acting as incorporators of a corporation not for profit pursuant to Chapter 617, Florida Statutes adopt the following Articles of Incorporation of such corporation.

ARTICLE I CORPORATE NAME AND ADDRESS

The name of this corporation is Charter Oak Wildlife Center, Inc. The mailing address of this corporation shall be: 3530 North West 32nd Avenue, Lauderdale Lakes, FL 33309.

ARTICLE II CORPORATE NATURE

This is a nonprofit corporation, organized solely for general wildlife purposes; to care for injured wildlife, rehabilitate wildlife, to educate, and to mail printed material pursuant to the Florida Corporations Not For Profit Law set forth in Section 617 of the Florida Statutes. Business shall be conducted as authorized or empowered to do, exercise, or perform under and by virtue of the laws of Florida.

Article III Duration

The term of existence of the corporation shall be perpetual.

Article IV General and Specific Purposes

The specific and primary purposes for which this corporation is formed are:

To treat injured wildlife, rehabilitate wildlife with the intent of releasing a healthy animal or the animal's offspring back into the wild.

To educate and raise awareness of environmental issues and dangerous behavior that could negatively affect wildlife and ecology.

To sell, convey, mortgage, pledge, lease, take, receive, take by gift, devise or bequest, or otherwise acquire, own, hold, improve, use or otherwise deal in and with real or personal property, or any interest therein; particularly in regard to sale, lease, mortgage, purchase and management of occupancy or resale properties (inclusive of those properties applicable to Affordable Housing Programs).

ARTICLE V MANAGEMENT OF CORPORATE AFFAIRS

A. <u>Board of Directors</u>. The powers of the corporation shall be exercised, its properties controlled, and its affairs conducted by a Board of Directors, consisting of not less than three (3) members. The number of Directors of the corporation shall be three (3), provided however, that such number may be changed by a By-law duly adopted by the members. Official Board, once selected, shall elect its own replacement members and officers as follows: President, Vice President and Secretary. This Board shall have the power of determining such policies as it sees fit in the government of the organization, and to make, alter or rescind the By-laws of the organization. Two-thirds of the members shall form a quorum. The President shall answer directly to the Board. Any official or Advisory Board member can be discharge by a two-thirds vote of the Official Board with the exception of a discharge of the President and Vice President, which requires a unanimous vote.

The directors named herein as the first Board of Directors shall hold office until the first meeting of the members at which time an election of Directors shall be held. A member of the Official Board must be willing to serve as President, Vice President or Secretary, and devote time and work directly with the Charter Oak Wildlife Center.

Any action required or permitted to be taken by one Board of Director under any provision of law may be taken without a meeting, if all members of the Board shall individually or collectively consent in writing to such action. Such written consent or consents shall be filed with the minutes of the proceedings of the Board, and any such action by written consent shall have the same force and effect as if taken by unanimous vote of the Directors. Any certificate or other document filed under any provision of law which relates to action so taken shall state that the action was taken by unanimous written consent of the Board of Directors without a meeting, and that the Articles of Incorporation and the By-Laws of this corporation authorize the Directors to so act. Such a statement shall be prima facie evidence of such authority.

The Official Board shall meet annually and as called by the President, at such time and place as they designate. Annual reports will be presented at the annual meetings.

The Official Board when in session shall have power to vote and have the responsibility of governing and directing the business and activities of Charter Oak Wildlife Center, Inc. The President shall serve as Director and have full responsibility of Governing and directing the business and activities of Charter Oak Wildlife Center, Inc. when the official board is not in session.

The names and addresses of such initial members of the Board of Directors are as follows:

Names

Residences

Jason Welch

3530 NW 32nd Avenue

Lauderdale Lakes, FL 33309

Charity Welch

3530 NW 32nd Avenue

Janet DeLonga

Lauderdale Lakes, FL 33309
34 Pine Street
Holbrook, MA 02343

- B. <u>Corporate Officers</u>. The Board of Directors shall elect the following officers: President, Vice President and Secretary, and such other officers as the By-Laws of the corporation may authorize the Directors to elect from time to time. Initially, such officers shall be eleted at the first annual meeting of the Board of Directors.
- C. <u>Advisory Board</u>. The Official Board may appoint individuals to an Advisory Board. The purpose of the Advisory Board will be to advise as well as assist the Board of the Charter Oak Wildlife Center, Inc. in any way possible. These members may attend any meeting of the Official Board but shall not vote. The Advisory Board shall be composed of not more than thirty members.

ARTICLE VI EARNINGS AND ACTIVITIES OF CORPORATION

- A. No part of the net earnings of the corporation shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to its members, directors, officers of other private persons, except that the corporation 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 Article IV hereof.
- B. No substantial part of the activities of the corporation shall be the carrying on of propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and the corporation shall not participate in, or intervene in (including the publishing or distribution of statements) any political campaign on behalf of any candidate for public office.
- C. Notwithstanding any other provision of these articles, the corporation shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on (a) by a corporation exempt from Federal income tax under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 (or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law) or (b) by a corporation, contributions to which are deductible under Section 170(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 (or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law).
- D. Notwithstanding any other provision of these Articles, this corporation shall not, except to an insubstantial degree, engage in any activities or exercise any powers that are not in furtherance of the purposes of this corporation.
- E. The organization shall be financed according to gifts and offerings of those interested in taking care and maintaining the creatures that God has placed on this earth, and means deemed advisable by the Board of Charter Oak Wildlife Center.

ARTICLE VII

DISTRIBUTION OF ASSETS

Upon dissolution of the corporation, the Board of Directors shall, after paying or making provision for the payment of all 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 organize and operated exclusively for charitable or educational purposes as shall at the time qualify as an exempt organization or organizations under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue code of 1954 (or the corresponding provision of any future United State Internal Revenue Law), as the Board of Directors shall determine. Any such assets not so disposed of shall be disposed of by a court of competent jurisdiction in the county in which the principal office of the corporation is then located, exclusively for such purposes or to such organizations as such organization or organizations as such court shall determine, which are organized and operated exclusively for such purposes.

ARTICLE VIII **MEMBERSHIP**

Membership. The membership of Charter Oak Wildlife Center, Inc. shall consist of the members of the Official Board, the Advisory Board, Contributors and full time Employees.

ARTICLE IX **INCORPORATORS**

The names and residence address of the incorporator of this corporation are as follows:

Name

Address in Florida

Jason Welch 3530 N.W. 32nd Avenue

Lauderdale Lakes, FL 33309

ARTICLE X ADMENDMENT OF BY-LAW

Subject to the limitations contained in the By-laws, and any limitations set forth in the Corporations Not For Profit Law, of the state of Florida, concerning corporate actions that must be authorized or approve by the members of the Corporation, By-laws of the corporation may be made, altered, rescinded, added to or new By-laws may be adopted, either by a resolution of the Board of Directors, or by the following procedure:

Such proposals must be submitted in writing by a member of the Official Board, read at two meetings of the Official Board, and adopted at the second meeting by two-thirds of the Board Members present.

> ARTICLE XI **DEDICATION OF ASSETS**

The property of this incorporation is irrevocably dedicated to educational and charitable purposes, and no part of the net income or assets of this corporation shall the circumstance of the benefit of any director, officer or member thereof, or to the benefit of any private individual.

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ARTICLE XII STOCK

There shall be 1,000 shares of stock issued at no par value.

ARTICLE XIII REGISTERED AGENT AND OFFICE

The address of the corporation's registered office shall be 3530 North West 32nd Avenue, Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33309, and the name of its registered agent at said address shall be Jason Welch.

ARTICLE XIV AMENDMENT OF ARTICLES

Amendments to these Articles of Incorporation may be proposed by a resolution adopted by the Board of Directors and presented to a quorum of members for their vote in the manner set forth in the By-Laws of this corporation.

I, the undersigned, being the Incorporator of this corporation, for the purpose of forming

this nonprofit corporation under the laws of the	ne State of Florida have executed these Articles
Incorporation this 5 th day of August, 2004.	
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Jason Welch, Incorporator	Jason Welch, Registered Agent

Before me, the undersigned authority, personally appeared the Incorporator and to me known to be the person who executed the foregoing Articles of Incorporation and they acknowledged to and before me that they executed such instrument.

(Name of Person Making Fratement)

My Commission Expires:

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