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**ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION
FOR
FLORIDIANS FOR INDUSTRY, JOBS AND GROWTH, INC.**

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

Article I: Name

The name of the corporation shall be the Floridians for Industry, Jobs and Growth, Inc.

Article II: Principal Office

The principal place of business and mailing address of this corporation is:

P.O. Box 6765
Lakeland, Florida 33807-6765

Article III: Purposes

The specific purposes for which the corporation is organized are:

To do all things deemed appropriate to create a supportive political and economic environment in Florida, to promote the retention and growth of agricultural, commercial, and industrial jobs, and to do any and all other things authorized by law.

Article IV: Members

The corporation shall have 2 classes of members. There shall be a class of full voting members. Each member of the full voting class shall make an initial contribution to the corporation of \$1,000. There will also be a class of non voting associate members. The obligations and rights of each class shall be set forth in the bylaws. The members of this corporation shall comply with the requirements of the corporation as may be prescribed from time to time.

Article V: Effective Date and Term

Section 1. The effective date of these Articles of Incorporation shall be the date upon which they are filed with the Florida Department of State, Division of Corporations

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Section 2. This corporation shall have perpetual existence, unless dissolved according to law.

Article VI: Directors

Section 1. The Board of Directors shall consist of the officers of the corporation and any number of additional members of the corporation who shall be selected and appointed in accordance with the provisions of the Bylaws governing such selection and appointment. The term of office of such Directors shall be for one year.

Section 2. The members who shall serve as initial Directors of the corporation are:

Jeff Clyne
Ed Dees
Tom Hodge
Wade Hopping
Judi Whitson

Article VII: Officers and Elections

Section 1. The affairs of the corporation shall be managed by the following officers: a President, a Secretary, and a Treasurer. Any member may hold any one or more than one of these offices.

Section 2. The officers of the corporation shall be elected at a regular meeting during each year and shall take office at the close of the meeting at which they are elected. The times for elections and the manner of conducting the elections shall be as prescribed in the Bylaws.

Section 3. The term of all officers shall be not less than one year and shall extend from the date of their election to the date upon which their successors are elected and take office.

Article VIII: First Officers

The names of the members who shall be the first officers of the corporation, and who shall hold office until their successors shall be elected and shall take office as prescribed in the Bylaws, are:

President: Jeff Clyne

Secretary/Treasurer: Tom Hodge

Article IX: Initial Registered Agent and Street Address

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

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1200 South Pine Island Road
Plantation, Florida 33324

Article X: Incorporators

The names and address of the Incorporators to these Articles of Incorporation are:

Ed Dees
10201 US Highway 92 East
P.O. Box 18
Mango, Florida 33550

Wade Hopping
123 South Calhoun Street
P.O. Box 6526
Tallahassee, Florida 32314

Rosemary O'Brien
1401 Eye Street Northwest, Suit 340
Washington, D.C. 20005

Article XI: Bylaws

The Bylaws of the corporation shall be adopted by a vote of the majority of voting members at the first meeting of the corporation. Such Bylaws may subsequently be amended by a vote of the voting membership to be prescribed in the Bylaws.

Article XII: Amendments

These Articles of Incorporation may be amended by a majority of the voting members of the corporation present at any regular meeting of the corporation: PROVIDED HOWEVER that the proposed revision has been submitted and read to the voting members present at the previous regular meeting, or mailed to each voting member at least two weeks prior to the meeting at which the amendment is to be submitted for a vote.

Article XIII: Dissolution

In the event of the dissolution of the corporation, its assets shall be distributed to the members of the corporation in proportion to the amount each member has contributed to the corporation over the life of the corporation.

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Article XIV: Corporate Powers

The corporation shall have such powers as are contained herein and as are granted to corporations not for profit by the laws of the State of Florida as they presently exist or may hereafter be amended.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, and on this 24th day of September, 2004, we, the undersigned, have hereunto set our hands and seals for the purpose of subscribing, acknowledging and filing in the office of the Secretary of State a certificate containing the charter of Floridians for Industry, Jobs and Growth, Inc.

Ed Dees
Ed Dees (Incorporator)

Date 9-8-04

Wade Hopping
Wade Hopping (Incorporator)

Date 9/24/04

Rosemary O'Brien
Rosemary O'Brien (Incorporator)

Date 9-9-04

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Having been named as registered agent and to accept service of process for Floridians for Industry, Jobs and Growth, Inc. 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 and accept the obligations of my position as registered agent.

Barbara A Burke

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BARBARA A. BURKE
SPECIAL ASSISTANT SECRETARY

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