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TRANSMITTAL LETTER

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

SUBJECT: Ar	imal Advocat	es Unlimited	d, Inc.	
	(PROPOSED CORPORATE	E NAME – <u>MUST INCLUI</u>	DE SUFFIX)	
Enclosed is an origina	l and one(1) copy of the Article	es of Incorporation and a	check for:	
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	13619 3rd A	tvenue East	<u>+</u>	
	Bradenton,	FL 34212	-	

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ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION **FOR**

ANIMAL ADVOCATES UNLIMITED, INC. A Florida Nonprofit Corporation

The undersigned incorporator hereby files these Articles of Incorporations 101 ANIMAL ADVOCATES UNLIMITED, INC., pursuant to Chapter 617, Florida Statutes, the Florida Not For Profit Corporation Act.

The name of this corporation shall be ANIMAL ADVOCATES UNLIMITED (herein referred to as the "Corporation").

Article II. PRINCIPAL OFFICE

The principal place of business of this corporation is 13619 3rd Avenue East, Bradenton, Florida, 34212. The mailing address of the Corporation shall be 13619 3rd Avenue East, Bradenton, Florida, 34212.

Article III. **PURPOSE**

This is a nonprofit corporation organized solely for operation as an organization to protect, and prevent cruelty to, animals pursuant to the Florida Not For Profit Corporation Act, Chapter 617, Florida Statutes.

- A. The primary purpose for which this Corporation is formed is to educate the public regarding proper pet care, animal health and welfare concerns, and the importance of spaying or neutering pets to end animal overpopulation.
- B. The Corporation shall have the power to acquire, own, maintain and use its assets for the purposes for which it is organized; to raise funds by any legal means for the encouragement of its purposes; to acquire, hold, own, use and dispose of real or personal property in connection with the purposes of the Corporation, to exercise all powers necessary or convenient to the furtherance of the purposes for which the Corporation is organized; and to exercise all powers granted to a corporation not for profit under Florida law. In addition to the powers specified, the Corporation shall have the additional powers specified in its bylaws.

C. The general purposes for which this Corporation is formed are to operate exclusively for such purposes as will qualify is as a charitable organization under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, as amended, or under any corresponding provision of any subsequent Federal tax laws. Notwithstanding any other provision of these Articles, this Corporation will not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on by a corporation exempt from Federal income tax under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, as amended, or under the corresponding provisions of any future United States Internal Revenue Code.

Article IV. MANNER OF ELECTION

Board of Directors. The powers of this Corporation shall be exercised, its properties controlled, and its affairs conducted by the Board of Directors, who shall be appointed.

Directors appointed at the first annual meeting shall serve for a term regulated by the Bylaws. Annual meetings shall be held as regulated by the Bylaws.

Any action required or permitted to be taken by the Board of Directors 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 Bylaws of this Corporation authorized the Directors to so act. Such a statement shall be *prima facie* evidence of such authority.

Membership. The corporation shall have no voting members. The management and affairs of the corporation shall be at all times under the direction of a Board of Directors, whose operations in governing the corporation shall be defined by statute and by the corporation's by-laws. No Director, or any private individual shall have any right, title, or interest in or to any property of the corporation, 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 III hereof.

Article V. INITIAL DIRECTORS/OFFICERS

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

Cathleen Graham 13691 3rd Avenue East, Bradenton, Florida 34212 President

Laurie Graham 13691 3rd Avenue East, Bradenton, Florida 34212 Vice President of Public Relations

Jennifer Wilcox 2404 52nd Avenue Drive West, Bradenton, Florida 34207 Vice President of Humane Education

Article VI. INITIAL REGISTERED AGENT AND STREET ADDRESS

The name and Florida street address of the registered agent is: Cathleen M. Graham, 13691 3rd Avenue East, Bradenton, Florida 34212

Article VII. **INCORPORATOR**

The name and address of the Incorporator is: Laurie Graham, 13691 3rd Avenue East, Bradenton, Florida 34212

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.

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Signature / Incorporator

10/1/04 Date

Article VII. DISTRIBUTION OF ASSETS

Upon the dissolution or winding up of this corporation, its assets remaining after payment, or provisions for payment, of all debts and liabilities of the Corporation, shall be distributed to a nonprofit fund, foundation or corporation organized and operated exclusively for the protection of cruelty to animals which has established its tax exempt status under Section 501 (c) 3 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, or corresponding provisions of any subsequent federal tax laws.

Article VIII. AMENDMENT OF ARTICLES

The Board of Directors of the Corporation may amend these Articles of Incorporation as it may deem necessary for the conduct of its business and the carrying out of its purposes.

Upon written or oral notice, the Articles of Incorporation may be amended, altered, or rescinded by the Board of Directors, in accordance with procedures established by the Bylaws.