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February 8, 2005

#### VIA\_UPS

Department of State Division of Corporations 409 E. Gaines Street Tallahassee, FL 32399

Re: Citizens United For A Better Future, Inc.

Dear Sir or Madam:

Enclosed you will find an original and one copy of Articles of Incorporation of Citizens United For A Better Future, Inc. together with a check in the amount of \$78.75. Please be so kind as to file the original Articles of Incorporation and return a stamped copy to this office in the enclosed self-addressed UPS envelope.

Thank you for your courtesy and cooperation in this matter.

Very truly yours,

Peter M. Feaman

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### ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF CITIZENS UNITED FOR A BETTER FUTURE, INC.

(A FLORIDA NOT FOR PROFIT CORPORATION)

**THE UNDERSIGNED**, acting as an incorporator for the purpose of forming a not for profit corporation pursuant to the Not for Profit Corporation Act of the State of Florida, hereby certify:

#### ARTICLE I: NAME

The name of the corporation shall be Citizens United For A Better Future, Inc. ("Corporation").

#### ARTICLE II: PRINCIPAL OFFICE

The principal place of business and mailing address of this Corporation shall be 1118 North Lake Side Drive, Lake Worth, FL, 33460.

#### ARTICLE III: PURPOSE

The Corporation shall be a nonprofit organization qualifying under section 501(c)(4) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as now in effect or as may hereafter be amended (the "Code"), and shall not have the authority to issue capital stock. The purpose for which the Corporation is formed is to:

- A. Promote the common good and general welfare of the American people and the residents of the State of Florida;
- B. Recruit, educate and mobilize citizens living in Florida to voice concerns about government policies and practices that do not promote the common good, such as programs resulting in government waste, excessive spending taxpayer monies, and economic disparity;
- C. Promote economic growth and prosperity specifically focusing on the State of Florida to result in higher paying jobs in the state;
- D. Encourage citizen participation in the shaping of laws and regulations relating to the foregoing; and
- E. Engage in any lawful activity incidental to the foregoing purposes and not otherwise prohibited by the Not for Profit Act of the State of Florida or these Articles of Incorporation.

In furtherance of its corporate purposes, the Corporation shall have all the general powers enumerated in Chapter 617.0302 of the Florida Statues as now in effect or as may hereafter be amended.

#### ARTICLE IV: MEMBERS

The Corporation shall have no members.

#### ARTICLE V: MANNER OF ELECTION

The directors shall be elected or appointed as provided by the Bylaws of the Corporation.

#### ARTICLE VI: INITIAL DIRECTORS AND/OR OFFICERS

The initial directors and officers of the Corporation are as follows:

Name Peter Feaman	Address 700 South Federal Highway Suite 200 Boca Raton, FL 33432	<u>Title</u> President
Andre Cadogan	6204 Pine Hurst Drive Boynton Beach, FL 33426	Vice President
Dogan Bengisu	1118 North Lake Side Drive Lake Worth, FL 33460	Treasurer
Conchita Royster	4345-A Woodstock Drive West Palm Beach, FL 33406	Secretary

The number of directors may be increased or decreased from time to time by amendment to, or in the manner provided in, the articles of incorporation or the bylaws, but the corporation must never have fewer than three directors.

#### ARTICLE VII: DISSOLUTION

Provisions for the regulation of the internal affairs of the Corporation, including provisions for distribution of assets on dissolution or final liquidation are as follows:

- A. The Corporation shall not possess or exercise any power or authority, expressly, by interpretation, or by operation of law, that will prevent it at any time from qualifying and continuing to qualify as a corporation described in section 501(c)(4) of the Code, nor shall it engage directly or indirectly in any activity which would cause the loss of such qualification.
- B. No part of the net earnings of the Corporation shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to any member, director or officer of the Corporation, or any other private person, except that the Corporation shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered to or for

- the Corporation and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of the purposes set forth in Article III hereof.
- C. The Corporation shall never be operated for the primary purpose of carrying on a trade or business for profit.
- D. At no time shall the Corporation engage in any activities which are unlawful under the laws of the United States of America, the State of Florida, or any other jurisdiction where its activities are carried on.
- E. Upon the termination, dissolution, or winding up of the Corporation in any manner or for any reason, its assets, if any, remaining after payment (or provision for payment) of all liabilities of the Corporation shall be applied and distributed in accordance with a plan of distribution adopted by the Board of Directors. Under such plan, the assets must be applied for purposes described in Article III hereof, distributed to one or more organizations that are exempt from taxation under section 501(c)(4) and have purposes similar to those of the Corporation, be distributed to one or more corporations, funds or foundations that are exempt from taxation under section 501(c)(3) of the Code, or be distributed in any way that is not inconsistent with the Act or any provision or principle of tax law applicable to organizations described in section 501(c)(4) of the Code.

#### ARTICLE VIII: INITIAL REGISTERED AGENT

The address, including street and number, of the initial registered office of the Corporation is: 1118 North Lake Side Drive, Lake Worth, County of Palm Beach, Zip Code 33460.

The name of its initial registered agent at such address is: Dogan Bengisu.

#### ARTICLE IX: INCORPORATOR

The name and street address of incorporator is follows:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>
Dogan Bengisu	1118 North Lake Side Drive Lake Worth, FL 33460

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has hereunto set his hand as of this day of February, 2005.

Dogan Bengisu Incorporator

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.

Dogan Bengisu

Registered Agent

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## WRITTEN CONSENT OF THE SOLE INCORPORATOR OF CITIZENS UNITED FOR A BETTER FUTURE, INC.

The Articles of Incorporation of Citizens United For A Better Future, Inc., a Florida nonprofit corporation, having been filed with the Florida Secretary of State, Division of Corporations, the undersigned being the Sole Incorporator named in said Articles, does hereby consent, authorize and adopt the following resolutions:

BE IT RESOLVED, that the size of the Board of Directors is initially set at 4 members; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the following persons be, and they hereby are elected, to serve as Directors of the Corporation for the ensuing year and until the first annual meeting for the election of directors or until his or her successor is elected and qualified:

Peter Feaman Andre Cadogan Dogan Bengisu Conchita Royster

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has hereunto set his hand as of this Aday of February, 2005.

Dogan Bengisu Incorporator

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