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Date: December 1, 2005

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Re:

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DOCUMENTS OR PAPERS LISTED BELOW ARE ENCLOSED:

- 1. Original and one copy of Articles of Incorporation
- 2. Check for \$78.75 for filing and certified copy fee
- 3. Stamped, self-addressed return envelope

PLEASE TAKE THE FOLLOWING ACTION:

Please file the Articles, certify the copy and return it to my office in the envelope provided.

THANK YOU.

STENSTROM, McINTOSH, COLBERT, WHIGHAM, REISCHMANN & PARTLOW, P.A. Attorneys at Law 1001 Heathrow Park Lane Lake Mary, Florida 32746

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Signed in his absence to avoid delay.



December 8, 2005

STENSTROM MCINTOSH COLBERT, ET AL 1001 HEATHROW PARK LANE LAKE MARY, FL 32746

SUBJECT: HISTORIC SANFORD WELCOME CENTER

Ref. Number: W05000054153

We have received your document for HISTORIC SANFORD WELCOME CENTER and your check(s) totaling \$78.75. However, the enclosed document has not been filed and is being returned for the following correction(s):

The name of the corporation must contain a corporate suffix. This suffix may be: CORPORATION, CORP., INCORPORATED, or INC. Sections 617.0401(1)(a) and 617.1506(1), Florida Statutes, prohibits the use of the word COMPANY or CO. in the name of a non-profit corporation.

Section 617.0803, Florida Statutes, requires that the board of directors never have fewer than three directors.

You did not list the registered agent name in Article V. You listed the address twice.

An effective date <u>may</u> be added to the Articles of Incorporation <u>if a 2006 date is needed</u>, otherwise the date of receipt will be the file date. <u>A separate article must be added to the Articles of Incorporation for the effective date.</u>

Please return the original and one copy of your document, along with a copy of this letter, within 60 days or your filing will be considered abandoned.

If you have any questions concerning the filing of your document, please call (850) 245-6879.

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ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

OF

HISTORIC SANFORD WELCOME CENTER, INC.

(A Corporation Not For Profit)

In compliance with the requirements of *Florida Statutes*, Chapter 617, the undersigned, with other persons, being desirous of forming a corporation authorized to exercise powers permitted non-profit corporations, does agree to the following:

ARTICLE I - NAME

The name of this corporation is HISTORIC SANFORD WELCOME CENTER, INC., with its principal place of business located at 508 Sanford Avenue, Sanford, Florida 32771.

ARTICLE II - DURATION

This corporation shall have a perpetual existence, unless dissolved by law or as provided by Chapter 617, Florida Statutes.

ARTICLE III - PURPOSE

The purposes for which this corporation is formed is to provide to the City of Sanford ("City") a wide array of economic development opportunities by encouraging businesses that offer positive benefits and advantages to the City to locate in, relocate to or expand in the City of Sanford; to assist the municipal government of the City of Sanford to provide economic development incentives and economic development programs which ensure that the

City takes advantage of every beneficial opportunity to enhance the economic vibrancy of the City; to engage in interjurisdictional organizations and entities which have the potential to direct economic development opportunities to the City; to investigate grant and other funding opportunities which will provide economic advantages and opportunities to the City; to coordinate its activities with the City Commission, City management and the City's Community Redevelopment Agency; to maintain data and information and develop publications and materials which present a positive and attractive economic image of the City of Sanford; to promote and support annexations, comprehensive planning, land use planning and positive development activities which will serve to provide positive economic advantages for the citizens of the City of Sanford which are in harmony with the historical and small town ambiance of the City of Sanford; to publicize and market the City and its activities, projects, events and programs; and to otherwise take any and all actions necessary and advantageous to cause the economic development of the City of Sanford to prosper and advance.

ARTICLE IV - STATEMENT OF CORPORATE NATURE

This is a non-profit corporation organized solely for general purposes pursuant to the Florida Corporations Not for Profit Law set forth in Part 1 of Chapter 617 of the Florida Statutes.

ARTICLE V - INITIAL REGISTERED OFFICE AND AGENT

The county in the State of Florida where the principal office

for the transaction of the business of this corporation is to be
508 Sanford Avenue, Sanford, Seminole County, Florida 32771 and the
name of the initial Registered Agent of this corporation located at
2204 South Oak Avenue, Sanford, Florida, 32771 Steven Ray Richards,

ARTICLE VI - MEMBERSHIP

The qualification for membership and the manner of their admission into the corporation shall be defined and regulated in the By-Laws of the corporation.

The initial members of the corporation are as follows:

Steven Ray Richards, President Kimberly House, Vice President

Kathy-Lynn Dachowski, Secretary Neica J. Sollen, Treasurer

ARTICLE VII - INCORPORATOR

The name and address of the incorporator of this corporation is:

Steven Ray Richards, President 2204 South Oak Avenue Sanford, Florida, 32771

ARTICLE VIII - ELECTION AND APPOINTMENT OF DIRECTORS

The manner in which directors are elected or appointed shall be defined and regulated in the By-Laws of the corporation.

ARTICLE IX - POWERS and DIRECTORS

The powers of this corporation shall be exercised, its property controlled and its affairs conducted by a Board of Directors. The number of directors of the corporation shall not be less than two (3) initially, with that number being determined in

the future as indicated by the By-Laws of the corporation.

The first Board of Directors who shall serve until the first election, shall consist of those persons whose names and addresses are as follows:

Steven Ray Richards, President 2204 South Oak Avenue Sanford, Florida, 32771

Kimberly House, Vice President 1107 South Oak Avenue Sanford, Florida 32771

Kathy-Lynn Dachowski, Secretary 1107 South Oak Avenue Sanford, Florida 32771

ARTICLE X

No person, firm or corporation shall ever receive any dividends or profits from the undertaking of this corporation and upon dissolution of this organization, all of its assets remaining after payment of all costs and expenses of such dissolution shall be distributed to organizations which are qualified for exemption under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or to the Federal Government, or to a state or local government, for a public purpose, none of the assets shall be distributed to any member, officer or trustee of this corporation. Notwithstanding any other provision of these articles, this corporation shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on by (a) a corporation exempt from federal income tax under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 or the corresponding provisions of any future United States Internal Revenue laws, or (b) a corporation, contributions to which are deductible under

Section 170(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, or any other corresponding provisions of any future United States Internal Revenue Law, and in addition, notwithstanding any other provisions of these articles, this corporation is formed exclusively for charitable and educational purposes.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned subscriber has executed these Articles of Incorporation, this day of _______, A.D., 2005.

STEVEN RAY RICHARDS

STATE OF FLORIDA)
COUNTY OF SEMINOLE)

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me by Steven Ray Richards, D who is personally known to me or Who produced his Florida Driver's License as identification, this day of A.D., 2005.

ANDREA B. NANNI
MY COMMISSION # DD 157523
EXPIRES: October 10, 2006
Bonded Thru Notary Public Unidentifiers

My Commission Expires:

Notary Public; State of Florida

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CERTIFICATE DESIGNATING PLACE OF BUSINESS OR DOMICILE FOR THE SERVICE OF PROCESS WITHIN THIS STATE. NAMING AGENT UPON WHOM PROCESS MAY BE SERVED:

HISTORIC SANFORD WELCOME CENTER, INC.

In pursuance to Section §48.091, Florida Statutes, the following is submitted in compliance with said Act:

FIRST: That HISTORIC SANFORD WELCOME CENTER, INC., desiring to organize under the laws of the State of Florida, with its principal office, as indicated in the Articles of Incorporation, at 508 Sanford Avenue, Sanford, Seminole County, Florida 32771 has named Steven Ray Richards, located at 2204 South Oak Avenue, Sanford, Florida 32771, County of Seminole, State of Florida, as its Registered Agent to accept service of process within this State.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT

Having been named registered agent to accept service of process for the above entitled corporation, at place designated in this Certificate, I hereby accept to act in this capacity, and agree to comply with the provisions of said Act relative to keeping open said office.

STEVEN RAY RICHARDS

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