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TRANSMITTAL LETTER

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

SUBJECT: Children's Best Interest First, Inc.

Enclosed is an original and one (1) copy of the Articles of Incorporation and a check for

☐ \$70.00
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☐ \$78.75
Filing Fee &
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Status

☒ \$78.75
Filing Fee &
Certified Copy

☐ \$87.50
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Additional Copy Required

FROM: Deborah Cerminaro Eldridge

954 First Avenue North

St. Petersburg, FL 33705

(727) 821-4534

Note: Please provide the original and one copy of the articles

ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

Of

Children's Best Interest First, Inc.

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ARTICLE I - NAME

- 1.01 The name of the not-for-profit organization shall be **Children's Best Interest First, Inc.**

ARTICLE II - PRINCIPAL OFFICE

- 2.01 The principal place of business shall be 954 First Avenue North, St. Petersburg, Florida 33705
- 2.02 The mailing address for the business shall be 954 First Avenue North, St. Petersburg, FL 33705

ARTICLE III - PURPOSE

- 3.01 The purpose for which this not-for-profit corporation is organized is to fight for the best interest and rights of all children within the State of Florida, to educate the public regarding the State of Florida's juvenile dependency system, to lobby for change in the State laws concerning the juvenile dependency system, and to provide financial assistance to qualifying individuals as associated with the juvenile dependency system.

ARTICLE IV - DIRECTORS

- 4.01 The Directors shall be elected at the first meeting following the incorporation by a majority of the officers present at said meeting, and shall be elected each year thereafter by a majority of the officers.

ARTICLE V - INITIAL OFFICERS

- 5.01 The initial officers of the corporation are as follows and each can be contacted at 954 First Avenue North, St. Petersburg, FL 33705:

Deborah Cerminaro Eldridge - President
Rob Starner - Vice President
Brenda Dennie - Treasurer
Margaret Mary E. Vaughan - Secretary

ARTICLE VI – INITIAL REGISTERED AGENT

6.01 The name and address of the initial registered agent for the corporation is:

**Deborah Cerminaro Eldridge, 954 First Avenue North, St. Petersburg, FL
33705**

ARTICLE VII – INCORPORATOR

7.01 The name and address of the incorporator is:

**Deborah Cerminaro Eldridge, 954 First Avenue North, St. Petersburg, FL
33705**

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Having been named as registered agent to accept service of process for the above stated not-for-profit 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.

Deborah C. Eldridge
Signature/Registered Agent

2/27/06
Date

Deborah C. Eldridge
Signature/Incorporator

2/27/06
Date

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