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#### **COVER LETTER**

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

SUBJECT: PALMETTO RIDGE AQUA BEARS SWIM CLUB, INC.  (PROPOSED CORPORATE NAME – MUST INCLUDE SUFFIX)				
Enclosed is an original and one(1) copy of the Articles of Incorporation and a check for :				
\$70.00 Filing Fee	\$78.75 Filing Fee & Certificate of Status	\$78.75 Filing Fee & Certified Copy	\$87.50 Filing Fee, Certified Copy & Certificate	
		ADDITIONAL CO	PY REQUIRED	
FROM: JERALD R. PITKIN, ESQ.  Name (Printed or typed)				
5147 CASTELLO DRIVE				
Address				
NAPLES, FL 34103				
City, State & Zip				
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## ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF PALMETTO RIDGE AQUA BEARS SWIM CLUB, INC., a Florida not-for-profit corporation

ARTICLE I Name

The complete legal name of the Corporation is:

PALMETTO RIDGE AQUA BEARS SWIM CLUB, INC.

ARTICLE II
Duration

The term of existence of the Corporation is perpetual. The corporate existence will commence upon filing of these Articles by the Department of State.

ARTICLE III
Purpose

The Corporation is organized for the purpose of:

To provide an instructional opportunity for all children eligible for membership to engage in a whole-some, lifesaving, lifetime sport, and recreational activity; To promote physical fitness and good patterns of physical development and to encourage proper conditioning and health habits; To provide opportunities for social, emotional, and educational development and to encourage peer and family participation; and, To promote the involvement in age-group programs and provide an opportunity for members to compete in organized swimming competitions.

#### ARTICLE IV Directors

There shall be one (1) member of the initial Board of Directors of the Corporation, who will serve until the first election of Directors. The name and address of the initial Director are as follows:

DONNA CARROLL 671 12<sup>th</sup> Street NE Naples, FL 34120

#### ARTICLE V Registered Office and Agent

The initial registered office of the Corporation shall be located at 5147 Castello Drive, Naples, Florida 34103. The initial registered agent of the Corporation at that address shall be CORPORATE REGISTERED AGENT, LLC.

ARTICLE VI Directors

The Corporation shall have Directors. The qualifications for Directors and the manner of

their admission are to be regulated as set forth in the By-Laws of the Corporation.

#### ARTICLE VII Special Provision

- This corporation is organized and operated exclusively for charitable purposes within the meaning of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.
- Notwithstanding any provision of these Articles, the corporation shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on (a) by a corporation exempt from federal income tax under Section 501 (c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of (b) by corporation contributions which are deductible under Section 170(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code.
- No substantial part of the activities of this corporation shall consist of carrying on propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and the corporation shall not participate or intervene in any political campaign (including the publishing or distribution of statements) on behalf of any candidate for public office.

#### ARTICLE VIII Incorporator

The name and address of the subscriber of these Articles of Incorporation and principal office address is:

> JERALD R. PITKIN 5147 Castello Drive Naples, FL 34103

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have subscribed my name on this 20th day of April, 2006.

JERALD R. PITKIN, Incorporator

#### STATE OF FLORIDA COUNTY OF COLLIER

On this 20th day of April, 2006, before me personally appeared JERALD R. PITKIN, known to me to be the person named in the foregoing instrument, who executed it, and who acknowledged such execution for the purposes contained in the instrument.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I sign here and set my official seal.

(seal)

NOTARY PUBLIC-STATE OF FLORIDA Lori-Anne L. Irons
Commission # DD436103
Expires: JUNE 01, 2009
Jonded Thru Atlantic Londing Co., Inc. My Commission Expires: Que 1, 2009

HAVING BEEN NAMED TO ACCEPT SERVICE OF PROCESS FOR THE ABOVE STATED CORPORATION, AT THE PLACE DESIGNATED IN THE ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION, I HEREBY AGREE TO ACT IN THIS CAPACITY, AND I FURTHER AGREE TO COMPLY WITH THE PROVISIONS OF ALL STATUTES RELATIVE TO THE PROPER AND COMPLETE PERFORMANCE OF MY DUTIES, AND I ACCEPT THE DUTIES AND OBLIGATIONS OF SECTION 607.325 FLORIDA STATUTES.

JOHN PAULICH, III as its Member

Registered Agent

DATED: <u>06</u> 20-06

STATE OF FLORIDA COUNTY OF COLLIER

Before me personally appeared CORPORATE REGISTERED AGENT, LLC/JOHN PAULICH, III, as its Member, who upon being duly sworn states that he is the registered agent for PALMETTO RIDGE AQUA BEARS SWIM CLUB, INC., and will accept service for same.

(seal)

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Notary Public

My Commission Expires: July 1, 2009