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Secretary of State Florida Department of State Division of Corporations Registration Section P. O. Box 6327 Tallahassee, FL 32314

RE: Long Island Ocelot Trust, Inc.

To Whom It May Concern:

The enclosed Articles of Incorporation and fee(s) are submitted for filing. Also enclosed is our firm's check in the amount of \$78.75, which includes the filing fee of \$35.00, Designation of Resident Agent of \$35.00, and \$8.75 for a certified copy to be sent to my office at the above address.

Thanking you for your assistance in this matter, I am,

Sincerely,

Alexander L. Hinson

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ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

<u>of</u>

LONG ISLAND OCELOT TRUST, INC.

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SECRETARY OF STATE
TALLAHASSEE, FLORIDA

The undersigned, acting as incorporator of this corporation pursuant to Chapter 617 of the Florida Statutes, hereby forms a corporation not for pecuniary profit under the laws of the State of Florida, and does hereby adopt the following Articles of Incorporation for such corporation.

ARTICLE I. - NAME OF CORPORATION

The name of the corporation is LONG ISLAND OCELOT TRUST, INC.

ARTICLE II. - TERM OF EXISTENCE

This corporation shall exist perpetually.

ARTICLE III. - PURPOSES OF CORPORATION

The general purposes for which this corporation is organized are as follows:

- A. The primary purpose is the preservation of the thirty known species of Genus: Felis or non-domestic felines, including, but not exclusively, ocelots (Felis pardalis).
- B. This corporation shall also provide an entity for accepting and administering special gifts and bequests to the LONG ISLAND OCELOT CLUB, and provide a permanent fund or funds for special projects and programs originating from Club members via the Club's Executive Council.
- C. Notwithstanding any provisions of this Article or any other Article contained herein, it is intended that this corporation shall be organized and operated exclusively for charitable, religious, educational, literary and scientific purposes, including, for such purposes, the making of distributions to organizations that qualify as exempt organizations under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (as such Section or a corresponding Section of any future federal tax law may be

amended from time to time).

- 1. This corporation shall not carry on, other than as an insubstantial part of its activities, activities which are not in furtherance of one or more of the exempt purposes described above.
- 2. The corporation's net earnings shall not inure in whole or in part to the benefit of any member, officer, trustee, creator, or organizer of this corporation, or any substantial contributor to it, or any other individual. This corporation may pay compensation, however, in a reasonable amount, for expenditures or services actually made or rendered to or for the benefit of this corporation.
- 3. This corporation shall act as a part of, a functioning entity of, or agent of the LONG ISLAND OCELOT CLUB.

ARTICLE IV - POWERS OF CORPORATION

It is intended that this corporation shall be authorized to carry out any and all acts and to exercise any and all corporate powers which may now or hereafter be lawful under the laws of the State of Florida to the extent applicable to a corporation not for pecuniary profit and to the extent that such powers do not conflict with intent, purposes or objections of the LONG ISLAND OCELOT CLUB, and the other provisions of any other Article contained herein.

ARTICLE V - PRINCIPAL OFFICE

The address of the principal office of the corporation and the mailing address of the corporation shall be:

201 Sheline Drive Havana, FL 32333

ARTICLE VI - REGISTERED AGENT

The name and address of the initial Registered Agent of the corporation shall be as follows:

Carin Sousa 201 Sheline Drive Havana, FL 32333

ARTICLE VII - BOARD OF TRUSTEES

A. There shall be six (6) Trustees constituting the inital Board of Trustees of the corporation, and the names and addresses

of these individuals who are to serve as Trustees until their successors are elected and qualified are:

Name <u>Street Address</u>

Jill Galindo 4812 Daywalt Road, Sebastopol, CA 95472

Mary Parker 5419 So. Stateline Rd., Post Falls, ID 83854

McGinnis

Bob Peraner 146 Magazine Street, Cambridge, MA 02139

Amy Rasmussen 7916 FM1117, Nixon, TX 78140

Loreon Vigne 20889 Geyersville Ave., Geyserville, CA 95441

Carin Sousa 201 Sheline Drive, Havana, FL 32333

B. The business affairs of the corporation shall be managed by the Board of Trustees.

- C. The Board of Trustees will determine that any request for funds is within the stated purposes of the corporation and would be an appropriate application of trust funds before granting approval by a two-thirds (2/3's) vote.
- D. The number of members of the Board of Trustees and their manner of election and terms of office shall be determined as provided in the By-Laws.

ARTICLE VIII - INCORPORATOR

The name and address of the incorporator is:

Carin Sousa 201 Sheline Drive Havana, FL 32333

ARTICLE IX - INDEMNIFICATION BY CORPORATION

Each Trustee and Officer of the corporation, whether or not then in office, shall be indemnified by the corporation against all costs and expenses reasonably incurred or imposed upon him or her in connection with or arising out of any claim, demand, action, suit or proceeding, in which he or she may be involved or to which he or she may be made a party by the reason of his or her being or having been a Trustee or Officer of the corporation (said expenses to include attorneys' fees, judgments, fines and amounts paid in settlement actually and reasonably incurred by him or her in connection with such claim, demand, action, suit or proceeding) to the extent such Trustee or Officer acted in good faith and in a manner he or she reasonably believed to be in the best interest of the corporation and, with respect to any criminal action or proceeding, had no reasonable cause to believe his or her conduct was unlawful.

ARTICLE X - DISSOLUTION OF CORPORATION

In the event of the liquidation or dissolution of the corporation, whether voluntary or involuntary, no Trustee, officer or member shall be entitled to any distribution or division of its remaining property, and the balance of all money and other property received by the corporation from any source, after payment of all debts and obligations of the corporation, shall be distributed to the LONG ISLAND OCELOT CLUB, in trust, the principal and income of which shall be used exclusively for the purposes hereinabove set forth and specifically, within the limitations imposed by Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (as such Section or corresponding Section of any future federal tax law may be enacted from time to time) and regulations thereunder; provided, however, that if the LONG ISLAND OCELOT CLUB is not, at the time of such liquidation or distribution, a tax-exempt entity within the meaning of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, then the assets described above shall be distributed, in trust or otherwise, to one or more organizations, as selected by the Board of Trustees, that are tax-exempt within the meaning of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code for use solely to promote and support the preservation of small species of non-domestic felines, including ocelots, consistent with the purposes set forth herein.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and seal on the graduate day of May, A.D. 2006.

CARIN SOUSA (SEAL)

STATE OF FLORIDA COUNTY OF GADSDEN

I HEREBY CERTIFY that on this 9th day of May, A.D. 2006, came and personally appeared before me, the undersigned authority, CARIN SOUSA, to me well known and known to me to be the individual described in and who acknowledged before me, after being first duly sworn, that she executed the foregoing Articles of Incorporation, as her free and voluntary act and deed, and acknowledged before me that she executed the same for the uses and purposes therein set forth and expressed.

WITNESS my hand and seal this the quantum day of May, A.D. 2006.

KARED K. CLARK

(Name typed or printed)

Notary Public

My Commission Expires: 1609



CERTIFICATE OF DESIGNATION REGISTERED AGENT/REGISTERED OFFICE

PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 617.0501, FLORIDA STATUTES, THE UNDERSIGNED CORPORATION, ORGANIZED UNDER THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF FLORIDA, SUBMITS THE FOLLOWING STATEMENT IN DESIGNATING THE REGISTERED OFFICE/REGISTERED AGENT, IN THE STATE OF FLORIDA.

- 1. The name of the corporation is LONG ISLAND OCELOT TRUST, INC..
- The name and address of the registered agent and office is:

Carin Sousa 201 Sheline Drive Havana, FL 32333

Dated this _____ day of May, A.D. 2006.

SOUSA

Incorporator

ACKNOWLEDGMENT:

Having been named as Registered Agent to accept service of process for the above stated corporation at the place designated in this certificate, I hereby accept the appointment as Registered Agent and agree to act in this capacity. I further agree to comply with the provisions of all statutes relating to the proper and complete performance of my duties, and I am familiar with and accept the obligations of my position as Registered Agent.

CARIN SOUSA
Registered Agent

Date:

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