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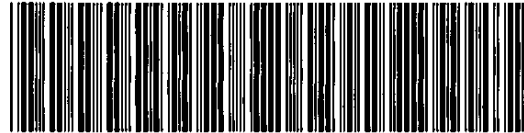
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ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

Floridians For Recovery, Inc. (FFR) 
(a not-for-profit corporation)

We, the undersigned, with other persons being desirous of forming a corporation authorized to exercise powers permitted non-profit corporations for educational, charitable and philanthropic purposes, under the provisions of Chapter 617 and Chapter 496 of the Florida Statutes: provided however, that this corporation in exercising any one or none of such powers shall do so in furtherance of the exempt purpose for which it has been organized and described as a tax-exempt, social welfare organization described in Internal Revenue Code (IRC) in Section 501 (c) (4) of the Internal Revenue Code; do agree to the following:

ARTICLE I NAME

The name of this corporation shall be: Floridians For Recovery, Inc.

ARTICLE II LOCATION

The mailing address of the corporation shall be at 214 Loomis Avenue, Daytona Beach, Florida 32114. The principle place of business for this incorporation shall be 225 West Busch Boulevard, Tampa, Florida 33612, which may be re-located to such places within the State of Florida as may be determined by the Board of Directors, from time to time.

ARTICLE III PURPOSE

1. Serve the needs of Florida's Recovery Community (FFR's constituency); Enhancing Florida's substance abuse education, prevention, treatment and rehabilitation system; Improving Quality & Access to Care; Attracting loyal Influencers of the Influential; Recruiting strong supporters of FFR; Promoting Diversity & Equality; Reducing stigma through: educational initiatives, Personalization of the issue and telling positive stories; Develop Working Committees; and Train Leadership.
2. Advocate on behalf of consumers, family members and significant others who are victims of alcohol and other drug addiction.
3. Increase public understanding of the problems of addictions.
4. Establish and maintain an Information Center for the collection and dissemination of information regarding the promotion, recognition, evaluation, counseling and scholarships for the FFR, Inc. initiatives

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5. Stimulate and encourage participation in all aspects of FFR, Inc. programs.
6. Develop such programs, initiatives or facilities as may be determined by the Board of Directors to be in the best interest of the corporation and its purposes.
7. Buy, sell, acquire, operate, construct, lease and maintain houses, offices, libraries, equipment and other real, business and personal property for the use and benefit of the corporation.
8. Operate in furtherance of Chapter 496, and Chapter 617, of the Florida Statutes and Section 501 (c) (4) of the Internal Revenue Code.

ARTICLE IV QUALIFICATIONS OF MEMBERS, OFFICERS, and DIRECTORS

1. Membership of the corporation shall consist of all persons hereinafter named as subscribers and such other persons as, from time hereafter, may become members by being knowledgeable of recovery, and its contributions to the community, to be a positive voice for recovery and/or upon payment of dues, subscriptions, donations or other contributions. Members at large may serve on the committees that are created.
2. Officers of the corporation shall be Chairperson, such number of Vice Chairperson(s) as set forth in the By-Laws, a Secretary, a Treasurer, and such other officers as may be provided in the By-Laws. These officers constitute the Executive Committee, and are charged with the usual and customary operation of the corporation. Initially the Chairperson is appointed to a three (3) year term, the Vice Chairperson(s) are appointed to a two (2) year term, and the Secretary, and Treasurer appointed to a one (1) year term. Thereafter, all succeeding successions shall be for three (3) year terms. Officers shall be elected at each annual meeting of the Board of Directors by the affirmative vote of a majority of Directors present at such meeting, and shall hold office for a term of three years or until removed, or until their successors are qualified and elected. An officer may serve more than one term.
3. There shall be no more than twenty-one directors. Initially, one-third (1/3) of the Directors shall be elected for a three (3) year term, another third shall be elected for a two (2) year term, and the balance shall be elected for a one (1) year term. Subsequently, one-third (1/3) of the Directors shall be elected at each annual meeting of the Board of Directors by the affirmative vote of a majority of Directors present at such meeting, and shall hold office for a term of three years or until removed, or until their successors are qualified and elected. A Director may serve more than one term.

ARTICLE V OFFICERS

1. The officers of this corporation shall be accountable to the board of directors.
2. The names of the persons who are to serve as officers of the corporation until the first meeting of the Board of Directors are:

(OFFICE)	(NAME AND ADDRESS)
Chairperson	Richard D. Davila, Ph.D. 225 West Busch Boulevard Tampa, FL 33612
Vice- Chairperson	Phil Diaz 8581 Saratoga Inlet Dr. Orlando, FL 32829
2 nd .Vice- Chairperson	Charles P. Rabaut, Jr. 3121 Brandywine Dr. Tallahassee, FL 32308
Secretary	Norene Copeland 1911 East Chelsea St. Tampa, FL 33610
Treasurer	Bill DeNight 1420 North Atlantic Ave., #904 Daytona Beach, FL 32118

3. The business affairs of the corporation shall be managed by the officers.

ARTICLE VI BOARD OF DIRECTORS

1. Board of Directors may be changed from time to time by the By-Laws, but shall never have less than nine (9) members.
2. The Board of Directors shall be members of the Corporation.
3. Members of the Board of Directors shall be elected and hold office in accordance with the By-Laws.
4. The names and addresses of the persons who are to serve as directors of the Corporation for the ensuing year or until the first annual meeting of the Board of Directors are as follows:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>ADDRESS</u>
Annie Berry	251 Elks Club Road Quincy, FL 32353
Terence T. Gorski	6147 Deltona Boulevard Springhill, FL 34606
Robert Henry	5644 Colcord Avenue Jacksonville, FL 32211
Marcia Jackson	6908 Stones Throw #10201 St. Petersburg, FL 33710
James Knorp	3710 Caracus Court Tallahassee, FL 32303
Israel Lopez	15431 Martinmeadow Dr. Lithia, FL 33547
Tedd Moorehouse	1129 Crown Drive Jacksonville, FL 32221-6105
Sondra Mullins	950 North Beltrees Street Dunedin, FL 34698
Carmine Pecoraro	225 West Busch Boulevard Tampa, FL 33612
Virginia Thomas	940 Birdier Street Jacksonville, FL 32206
Bill Weaver	2905 Pierce Street # 10 Hollywood, FL 33020

ARTICLE VII TERM OF EXISTENCE

The corporation is to exist perpetually.

ARTICLE VIII NON-PROFIT STATUS

No part of the net earnings shall insure to the benefit of any individual or member of the Board of Directors, unless the individual(s) has been hired by the Board of Directors to serve in a professional, paid, capacity for the corporation.

ARTICLE IX DISTRIBUTION OF ASSETS ON DISSOLUTION

Upon dissolution of this Corporation all of its assets remaining after payment of all costs and expenses of such dissolution shall be distributed to organizations which have qualified for exemption under Section 501 (c) of the Internal Revenue Code, of the Federal Government, or to a State or Local Government, for a public purpose, and none of the assets shall be distributed to any member, officer or trustee of the Corporation except as may be required to settle wages, expenses and remunerations outstanding in accord with Article VIII, above.

ARTICLE X REGISTERED AGENT

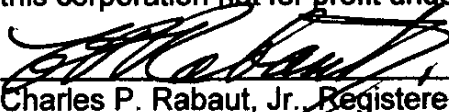
The name and address of the registered agent is: Charles P. Rabaut, Jr.
Home address is: 3121 Brandywine Dr., Tallahassee, FL 32308.

ARTICLE XI INCORPORATOR

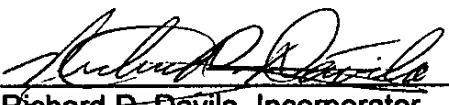
The name and address of the incorporator is: Richard Davila.
Address is: 225 West Busch Boulevard, Tampa, FL 33612

Having been named as the 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.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, We as the undersigned subscribing incorporators, have hereunto set our hands and seals this day of November 2005 for the purpose of forming this corporation not for profit under the laws of the State of Florida.

 (SEAL)
Charles P. Rabaut, Jr., Registered Agent

8 Nov 06
Date

 (SEAL)
Richard D. Davila, Incorporator

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Date

 (SEAL)
Norene Copeland, Incorporator

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Date

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_____(SEAL) _____

State of Florida
County of *HILLSBOROUGH*

Before me a Notary Public duly authorized in the State of Florida and County named above personally appeared and signed before me: *RICHARD D. DAVILA, NORENE COPELAND*

Known to me to be the person described as a subscriber in and who executed the foregoing Articles of Incorporation, and they acknowledged before me that they executed and subscribed to the Articles of Incorporation.

Witness my hand and seal in the county and state named above this *7th* day of November, 2006.

NOTARY PUBLIC
(SEAL)
My commission expires

Maria F. Bush



Maria F. Bush
My Commission DD352804
Expires November 05, 2008

State of Florida

County of

Before me a Notary Public duly authorized in the State of Florida and County named above personally appeared and signed before me: Known to me to be the person described as a subscriber in and who executed the foregoing Articles of Incorporation, and they acknowledged before me that they executed and subscribed to the Articles of Incorporation.

Witness my hand and seal in the county and state named above this _____ day of November, 2006.

NOTARY PUBLIC
(SEAL)
My commission expires