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Dear Ms. Hood:"

Enclosed please find an original and copy of Articles of Incorporation for filing with your office for the above referenced new corporation.

Also enclosed is a check in the amount of \$78.75 for the filing fees. After these Articles have been filed, please provide me with a certified copy of same.

Thank you for your attention in this matter.

Sincerely.

loan S. Clardy II.

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## ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION 07 AUG -9 PM 2: 54 OF NATURE COAST FRIENDS OF BLUES, INCSECRETARY OF STATE A Not For Profit Corporation A Not For Profit Corporation

THE UNDERSIGNED, acting as incorporators of a corporation pursuant to Chapter 617, Florida Statutes, adopt the following ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION:

#### ARTICLE I NAME

The name of this Corporation is NATURE COAST FRIENDS OF BLUES, INC., a not for profit corporation.

### ARTICLE II PRINCIPAL PLACE OF BUSINESS AND MAILING ADDRESS

The principle place of business and mailing address of this corporation shall be:

NATURE COAST FRIENDS OF BLUES, INC. 4784 W. Foxhill Lane Homosassa, FL 34446

#### ARTICLE III EXEMPT STATUS

The corporation is constituted to attract substantial support through contributions, directly or indirectly, and has not been formed for pecuniary profit or financial gain, and no part of the assets, income, or profit of the Corporation is distributable to, or inures to the benefit of, its directors or officers except to the extent permitted under the Not-For-Profit Corporation Law, Chapter 617, Florida Statutes. No substantial part of the activities of the Corporation shall be the carrying of propaganda, or otherwise attempting, to influence legislation, and the Corporation shall not participate in, or intervene in (including the publishing or distribution of statements) any political campaign on behalf of any candidate for public office. Notwithstanding any other provision of this certificate, the Corporation shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on (a) by a corporation exempt from the federal income tax under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue code of 1954 (or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law) or (b) by a corporation, contributions to which are deductible under Section 170(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 (or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law).

#### ARTICLE IV PURPOSE AND FUNCTION

The purpose for which NATURE COAST FRIENDS OF BLUES, INC. is to be formed is for educational and charitable purposes within the meaning of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 and in this connection, these purposes include, but are not limited to:

- 1. Maintain the integrity of the annual Blues 'n Bar-B-Que.
- 2. Promote all forms of blues music.
- 3. Serve the community by holding live music events.
- 4. Enrich the lives of those who appreciate music as part of the cultural arts in our area.
- 5. To do any other act or thing incidental to or connected with the foregoing purpose or in advancement thereof, but not for the pecuniary profit or financial gain of its directors or officers except as permitted under the Not-For-Profit Corporation Law of Florida. In furtherance of its corporate purposes, the corporation shall have all general powers enumerated in section 202 of the Not-For-Profit Corporation Law.

To accomplish this purpose, the corporation may solicit, receive, purchase and borrow with or without security, real and personal property, including funds by way of gifts, contributions and subscriptions, and administer, own, hold, convey, transfer, disburse, lend and sell the same for such charitable, scientific, literary and educational purposes as are permitted by Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of the United States as it now exists and as hereafter amended, and no assets of this corporation shall inure to the benefit of any private individual. No substantial part of the activities of this corporation shall consist of carrying on propaganda; or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, nor shall this corporation take part in any political campaign on behalf of any candidate for public office.

The corporation is organized and operated solely for administrative and managerial purposes. It is not intended that the corporation show any net earnings; but no part of any net earning that do occur shall inure to the benefit of any private member.

Upon dissolution of this corporation, any remaining assets shall be transferred only to an organization having like charitable, scientific, literary and educational purposes as are permitted by Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of the United States, and as deemed appropriate by a majority vote of the steering committee at a special dissolution meeting as set forth in the Bylaws. No assets shall be conveyed or distributed to any individual.

#### ARTICLE V MANNER OF ELECTION OF DIRECTORS

The manner in which the directors are elected or appointed shall be set forth in the By-Laws of the Corporation which are to be adopted at the initial meeting of the directors. The initial Directors names and addresses are as follows:

Susan Mitchell 4784 W. Foxhill Lane Homosassa, FL 34446

David Barletta 12 Asters Court Homosassa, FL 34446

Michele Wirt 6090 S. Redbird Avenue Lecanto, Florida 34461 352-628-3978

Rob Ihle 3202 S. Lee Way Homosassa, FL 34448

#### ARTICLE VI INITIAL REGISTERED AGENT AND STREET ADDRESS

The initial registered agent and registered office of the corporation in the State of Florida is:

John S. Clardy III 521 W. For t Island Trail Suite A Crystal River, FL 34429

#### ARTICLE VII INCORPORATORS

The names and addresses of the Incorporators for these Articles of Incorporation are:

Susan Mitchell 4784 W. Foxhill Lane Homosassa, FL 34446

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we the undersigned, being the Incorporators of this Corporation, have, for the purpose of forming this nonprofit corporation under the laws of the State of Florida, executed these Articles of Incorporation on this \_\_\_\_\_\_\_, day of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, 2007.

Susan Mitchell

Pavid Barietta

Michele Wirt

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#### 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 of designating the registered office/registered agent, in the State of Florida.

- 1. The name of the corporation is NATURE COAST FRIENDS OF BLUES, INC., a Not for Profit Corporation;
- 2. The name and address of the registered agent and office:

John S. Clardy III
521 W. For t Island Trail
Suite A
Crystal River, FL 34429



#### ACCEPTANCE OF APPOINTMENT AS REGISTERED AGENT

Having been named as registered agent and 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.

JOHN S. CLARDY III

Date