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

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SUBJECT: _	UBJECT: River District Alliance, Inc. (PROPOSED CORPORATE NAME - MUST INCLUDE SUFFIX)			
Enclosed is an \$7 Filing	0.00	nd one(1) copy of the Art \$78.75 Filing Fee & Certificate of Status	□\$78.75 Filing Fee & Certified Copy	

FROM:	f: Bradford Newton Name (Printed or typed)				
	2240 W. First Street, Suite #100				
	Addiess				
Fort Myers, FL 33901					
	City, State & Zip				
	(239) 337-7585				

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SECRETARY OF STATE DIVISION OF CUMPORATIONS

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ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION In Compliance with Chapter 617,F.S., (Not for Profit)

Article of Incorporation of the undersigned, a majority of whom are citizens of the United States, desiring to form a Non-Profit Corporation under the Non-Profit Corporation Law of Florida, do hereby certify:

ARTICLE 1 NAME

The name of this Corporation shall be RIVER DISTRICT ALLIANCE. INC.

ARTICLE 2 PRINCIPAL OFFICE

The principal place of business and mailing address of the corporation shall be 2240 West First Street, Suite 100, Fort Myers, Florida 33901

ARTICLE 3 PURPOSE

The purposes for which the Corporation is organized are:

- 3.1 The specific and primary purpose for which the Corporation is formed is to organize and assist in the revitalization of the Fort Myers historic river district, by:
- 3.1.1 revitalizing the historic river district,
- 3.1.2 Supporting efforts to promote and redevelop the Fort Myers river district, and
- 3.1.3 Supporting efforts to restore historic sites in the Fort Myers river district.

ARTICLE 4 MANNER OF ELECTION

The Board of Directors shall be elected by the voting membership during the annual meeting.

ARTICLE 5 INITIAL DIRECTORS

The name and addresses of the initial Board of Directors who shall serve until the first election of directors are as follows:

Bradford Newton 2760 Rhode Island Avenue, Fort Myers, Florida 33916

Susan Lewis 1520 Jackson Street, Apt. 4, Fort Myers, FL 33901

Barbara Bengochea-Perez 2572 First Street, Fort Myers, FL 33901

ARTICLE 6 INITIAL REGISTERED AGENT AND STREET ADDRESS

The initial registered agent of the Corporation shall be Bradford Newton. The registered office of the Corporation shall be located at 2240 West First Street, Suite 100, Fort Myers, Florida 33901

ARTICLE 7 INCORPORATOR

The name and address of the Incorporator is Susan Lewis, 1520 Jackson Street, Apt. 4, Fort Myers, Florida 33901

ARTICLE 8 LIMITATION OF METHODS

This corporation is organized exclusively for charitable, religious, educational, 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, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

ARTICLE 9 EARNINGS AND ACTIVITIES OF THE CORPORATION

No part of the net earnings of the corporation shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to its members, trustees, officers, or other private persons, except that the corporation shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of the purposes set forth in Article Third hereof. No substantial part of the activities of the corporation shall be the carrying on 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 or in opposition to any candidate for public office. Notwithstanding any other provision of these articles, this corporation shall not, except to an insubstantial degree, engage in any activities or exercise any powers that are not in furtherance of the purposes of this corporation.

ARTICLE 10 DISSOLUTION

Upon the dissolution of the corporation, assets shall be distributed for one or more exempt purposes within the meaning of section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code, or shall be distributed to the federal government, or to a state of local government, for a public purpose. Any such assets not so disposed of shall be disposed of by a Court of Competent Jurisdiction of the county in which the principal office of the corporation is then located, exclusively for such purposes or to such organization or organizations, as said Court shall determine, which are organized and operated exclusively for such purposes.

Having been named as registered agent to ac stated corporation at the place designated in accept the appointment as registered agent as	this certificate, I am familiar with and nd agree to act in this capacity.
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Signature/Registered Agent Bradford New	ton Date
STATE OF FLORIDA COUNTY OF LEE	
The foregoing instrument was acknown 1000 pm by 2007, by 1200 pm or who has produced 1000 pm or who has produced 1	wledged before me this 140 day of whom, who is personally known as identification.
	NOTARY PUBLIC:
	Sign: Canolymm Hulatt
	Print: CAROLY M. Hulette State of Florida at Large (Seal Expires April 15, 2008
Signature/Incorporator Susan Lewis	<u>//- 7- 07</u> Date
STATE OF FLORIDA COUNTY OF LEE	

NOTARY PUBLIC:

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this 14h day of November, 2007, by Susan Laws, who is personally known to me or who has produced as identification.

Sign: Canolyn M. Hule to

Print: <u>CARdyn M. Hulatta</u> State of Florida at Large (Seal)

