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**ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION  
OF  
1616 RIVER ROAD, A RIVER FRONT  
CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION, INC.**

The undersigned, by these Articles associate themselves for the purpose of forming a corporation not-for-profit under Chapter 617, Florida Statutes, and certify as follows:

**ARTICLE I**  
**Name**

The name of the corporation shall be 1616 River Road, a River Front Condominium Association, Inc. For convenience, the corporation shall be referred to in this instrument as the Association.

**ARTICLE II**  
**Purpose**

(a) The purpose for which the Association is organized is to provide an entity pursuant to Chapter 718, Florida Statutes (the "Condominium Act"), for the operation of 1616 River Road, a River Front Condominium, to be created pursuant to the provisions of the Condominium Act and the Declaration of Condominium of 1616 River Road, a River Front Condominium (the "Declaration") when recorded or thereafter amended, in the Public Records of Duval County, Florida (the "County"). All words defined in the Declaration shall have the same meaning when used herein.

(b) The Association shall make no distributions of income to its members, directors or officers.

**ARTICLE III**  
**Powers**

The powers of the Association shall include and be governed by the following provisions.

(a) The Association shall have all of the common law and statutory powers of a corporation not-for-profit which are not in conflict with the terms of these Articles, nor in conflict with the provisions of the Condominium Act.

(b) The Association shall have all of the powers and duties set forth in the Condominium Act, except as limited by these Articles and the Declaration to the extent allowed by the law, and all of the powers and duties reasonably necessary to operate the Condominium pursuant to the Declaration as presently drafted and as it may be amended from time to time, including but not limited to the following:

1. The irrevocable right to make and collect assessments against members as Unit Owners to defray the costs, expenses and losses of the Condominium, including the maintenance and operation of the Surface Water or Stormwater Management System.

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2. To use the proceeds of assessments in the exercise of its powers and duties.
3. To maintain, repair, replace and operate the Condominium Property which shall include the irrevocable right of access to each Unit from time to time during reasonable hours as may be necessary for such maintenance, repair or replacement of any Common Elements therein or accessible therefrom, or for making emergency repairs therein necessary to prevent damage to the Common Elements or to another Unit or Units.
4. To purchase insurance upon the Condominium Property and insurance for the protection of the Association and its members as Unit Owners.
5. To reconstruct improvements after casualty and to make further improvements to the Condominium Property.
6. To make and amend reasonable regulations respecting the use of the property in the Condominium.
7. To enforce by legal means the provisions of the Condominium Act, the Declaration of Condominium, these Articles, the By-Laws of the Association and the regulations adopted by the Association.
8. To impose fines on Unit Owners or their tenants for violations of the Declaration of Condominium, these Articles, the By-Laws of the Association or the regulations adopted by the Association in accordance with the provisions of the Condominium Act.
9. To contract for the maintenance, management or operation of the Condominium Property.
10. To employ personnel for reasonable compensation to perform the services required for proper administration and operation of the Association.
11. To pay taxes and assessments which are liens against any part of the Condominium other than individual Units, unless the individual Unit or Units are owned by the Association, and to assess the same against the Units subject to such liens.
12. To pay the cost of all power, water, sewer, trash, garbage and other utility services rendered to the Condominium and not billed to owners of individual Units.
13. To enter into agreements, to acquire leaseholds, memberships and other possessory or use interests in lands or facilities which are intended to provide enjoyment, recreation or other use or benefits to the members of the Association.
14. To purchase a Unit or Units in the Condominium and to hold, lease, mortgage and convey the same.

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15. To operate, maintain and manage the Surface Water or Stormwater Management System in a manner consistent with St. Johns River Water Management District Permit No. 42-10987786-1 requirements and applicable District rules, and to assist in the enforcement of the provisions of the Declaration of Condominium which relate to the Surface Water or Stormwater Management System. The Association shall levy and collect adequate assessments against members of the Association for the costs of maintenance and operation of the Surface Water or Stormwater Management System.

#### ARTICLE IV Members

(a) The members of the Association shall consist of all of the record owners of Units in the Condominium, and in the event of a termination of the Condominium, shall consist of those who are members at the time of such termination and their successors and assigns.

(b) Change of membership in the Association shall be established by recording in the Official Public Records of the County, a deed or other instrument establishing a record title to a Unit in the Condominium and the delivery to the Association of a copy of such instrument. The owner designated by such instrument thus becomes a member of the Association and the membership of the prior owner is terminated.

(c) The share of a member in the funds and assets of the Association cannot be assigned, hypothecated or transferred in any manner, except as an appurtenance to his Unit.

(d) The owner of each Unit shall be entitled to one vote as a member of the Association, except there shall be no vote for any Unit owned by the Association. The manner of exercising voting rights shall be determined by the By-Laws of the Association.

#### ARTICLE V Directors

(a) The affairs of the Association shall be managed by a Board of Directors consisting of no less than three (3) Directors; however, the Board shall consist of an odd number of Directors. Each Director shall be a person entitled to cast a vote in the Association, except as otherwise provided herein or in the By-Laws.

(b) Members of the Board of Directors shall be elected at the annual meeting of the Association members in the manner specified in the By-Laws. Directors may be removed or vacancies on the Board of Directors shall be filled in the manner provided by the By-Laws.

(c) The initial Board of Directors of the Association, shall be selected by the Declarant. The Directors named in the Articles shall serve until the first election of Directors, and any vacancies in their number occurring prior to the first election shall be filled by the remaining Directors. The first election of Directors shall occur when Unit Owners other than the Declarant own fifteen percent (15%) or more of the Units that will be operated ultimately by the Association. At such first election, Unit Owners other than the Declarant shall be entitled to elect not less than one-third (1/3)

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of the members of the Board of Directors. Unit Owners other than the Declarant are entitled to elect not less than a majority of the members of the Board of Directors of the Association: a) three years after 50 percent of the Units that will be operated ultimately by the Association have been conveyed to purchasers; b) three months after 90 percent of the Units that will be operated ultimately by the Association have been conveyed to purchasers; c) when all the Units that will be operated ultimately by the Association have been completed, some of them have been conveyed to purchasers, and none of the others are being offered for sale by the Declarant in the ordinary course of business; d) when some of the Units have been conveyed to purchasers and none of the others are being constructed or offered for sale by the Declarant in the ordinary course of business; or e) seven years after recordation of the Declaration; or in the case of an Association which may ultimately operate more than one condominium, seven years after recordation of the Declaration of for the first condominium it operates; or, in the case of the Association operating a phase condominium, seven years after recordation of the Declaration creating the initial phase, whichever comes first. Subsequent elections shall be held in conformity with the requirements of the Condominium Act and as set forth in the By-Laws of the Association.

(d) The names and addresses of the members of the current Board of Directors, who shall hold office until their successors are elected and have qualified, or until they resign or are removed, are as follows:

Charles F. Atkerson, Jr.  
8833 Perimeter Park Boulevard, Suite 1104  
Jacksonville, Florida 32216

Serena P. Wakefield  
8833 Perimeter Park Boulevard, Suite 1104  
Jacksonville, Florida 32216

Lynn S. Bidlemann  
8833 Perimeter Park Boulevard, Suite 1104  
Jacksonville, Florida 32216

#### ARTICLE VI Officers

The affairs of the Association shall be administered by the officers designated by the By-Laws. The officers shall be elected by the Board of Directors at its first meeting following the annual meeting of the Association, and they shall serve at the pleasure of the Board of Directors. The names and addresses of the officers who shall serve until their successors are designated by the Board of Directors are as follows:

President: Charles F. Atkerson, Jr.  
8833 Perimeter Park Boulevard, Suite 1104  
Jacksonville, Florida 32216

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Vice President: Serena P. Wakefield  
8833 Perimeter Park Boulevard, Suite 1104  
Jacksonville, Florida 32216

Secretary/ Lynn S. Bidlemann  
Treasurer: 8833 Perimeter Park Boulevard, Suite 1104  
Jacksonville, Florida 32216

**ARTICLE VII**  
**Indemnification and Insurance**

Every director and every officer of the Association shall be indemnified by the Association against all expenses and liabilities, including counsel fees, reasonably incurred by or imposed upon him in connection with any proceeding or any settlement of any proceeding to which he may be a party or in which he may become involved by reason of his being or having been a director or officer of the Association, whether or not he is a director or officer at the time such expenses are incurred, except when the director or officer is adjudged guilty of willful misfeasance or malfeasance in the performance of his duties; provided, that in the event of settlement, the indemnification shall apply only when the Board of Directors approves such settlement as being in the best interests of the Association. The foregoing right of indemnification shall be in addition to and not exclusive of all other rights to which such officers may be entitled.

The Board of Directors shall purchase liability insurance to insure all directors, officers or agents, past and present against all expenses and liabilities set forth above, unless the Board determines that such insurance is not reasonably available. The premiums for such insurance shall be a Common Expense.

**ARTICLE VIII**  
**By-Laws**

The first By-Laws of the Association shall be adopted by the Board of Directors and may be altered, amended or rescinded in the manner provided by the By-Laws.

**ARTICLE IX**  
**Amendments**

Amendments to the Articles of Incorporation shall be proposed and adopted in the following manner:

(a) Notice of the subject matter of a proposed amendment shall be included in the notice of any meeting at which a proposed amendment is considered.

(b) A resolution for the adoption of a proposed amendment may be proposed either by the Board of Directors or by not less than a majority of the members of the Association. Directors and members not present in person or by proxy at the meeting to consider the amendment may express their approval in writing provided such approval is delivered to the Secretary prior to such meeting.

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A resolution adopting a proposed amendment must bear the approval of not less than a majority of the Board of Directors and not less than sixty-seven percent (67%) of the members of the Association.

(c) In the alternative, an amendment may be made by an agreement signed and acknowledged by all the record owners of Units in the manner required for the execution of a deed.

(d) No amendment shall make any changes in the qualifications for membership nor the voting rights of members, nor any change in Article V, Section C hereof, without approval in writing by all members.

(e) No amendment shall be made that is in conflict with the Condominium Act or the Declaration of Condominium. For so long as Declarant holds any Units for sale in the ordinary course of business, no amendment that assesses the Declarant as a Unit Owner for capital improvements or that is detrimental to the sale of Units by the Declarant, shall be effective without the written approval of Declarant.

(f) A copy of each amendment shall be certified by the Secretary of State, State of Florida, and be recorded in the Official Public Records of the County.

#### **ARTICLE X**

##### **Term**

Existence of the Association shall commence with the filing of these Articles of Incorporation with the Florida Secretary of State. The term of the Association shall be perpetual. In the event of termination, dissolution or final liquidation of the Association, the responsibility for the operation and maintenance of the Surface Water or Stormwater Management System shall be transferred to and accepted by an entity which would comply with Section 40C-42.027, F.A.C., and be approved by the St. Johns River Water Management District prior to such termination, dissolution or liquidation.

#### **ARTICLE XI**

##### **Incorporator**

The name and addresses of the incorporator to these Articles of Incorporation is as follows:

Bert C. Simon  
1660 Prudential Drive  
Suite 203  
Jacksonville, Florida 32207

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the incorporator has executed these Articles of Incorporation this 22nd day of April, 2008.

By:

Bert C. Simon  
Bert C. Simon

STATE OF FLORIDA  
COUNTY OF DUVAL

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this 22nd day of April, 2008, by Bert C. Simon who is personally known to me or has produced \_\_\_\_\_ as identification.



Patricia S. Henderson

Notary Public, State of Florida

PATRICIA S. HENDERSON

Print Name

My Commission Expires:

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**CERTIFICATE DESIGNATING PLACE OF BUSINESS  
OR DOMICILE FOR THE SERVICE OF PROCESS WITHIN  
FLORIDA, NAMING AGENT UPON WHOM PROCESS MAY BE SERVED**

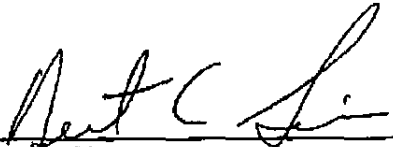
IN COMPLIANCE WITH SECTION 48.091, FLORIDA STATUTES, THE FOLLOWING  
IS SUBMITTED:

1616 RIVER ROAD, A RIVER FRONT CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION, INC.  
DESIRING TO ORGANIZE OR QUALIFY UNDER THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF FLORIDA  
WITH ITS PRINCIPAL PLACE OF BUSINESS AT 8833 PERIMETER PARK BOULEVARD,  
SUITE 1104, JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA, 32216, HAS NAMED BERT C. SIMON LOCATED  
AT 1660 PRUDENTIAL DRIVE, SUITE 203, JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA 32207, ITS AGENT  
TO ACCEPT SERVICE OF PROCESS WITHIN FLORIDA.

  
Bert C. Simon, Incorporator

Date: April 22, 2008

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

  
Bert C. Simon

Date: April 22, 2008

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