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# ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF

# CASA CUBA OCALA-GAINESVILLE, INC., a Florida not-for-profit corporation

### ARTICLE I Name

The name of the corporation is CASA CUBA OCALA-GAINESVILLE, INC., a Florida not-for-profit corporation

### ARTICLE II Duration

# ARTICLE III Purpose

This corporation is organized for the purpose of preserving the Cuban culture, its roots, customs and traditions for future generations. It will strengthen ties between those with a Cuban heritage, promoting a sense of patriotism, while participating in societal, educational and charitable programs. Members will be a resource for newcomers to the community by providing valuable community ties, especially for those persons who have English as a second language.

The purposes for which the corporation is organized are exclusively religious, charitable, scientific, literary, and educational within the meaning of section 501(c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law.

In the event of dissolution, the residual assets of the organization will be turned over to one or more organizations which themselves are exempt as organizations described in sections 501 (c) (3) and 170 (c) (2) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 or the corresponding sections of any prior or future Internal Revenue Code, or to the Federal, State, or local government for exclusive public purpose.

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### ARTICLE IV Principal Office; Initial Registered Office and Agent

The street address of the initial principal office of this corporation is: 108 North Magnolia Avenue, Suite 202, Ocala, Florida 34475. The name of the initial registered agent and his address is Peter M. Lopez, Esq., c/o Peter M. Lopez, P.A., 1911 NW 150 Avenue, Suite 201, Pembroke Pines, Florida 33028.

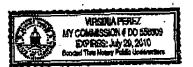
#### ARTICLE V Initial Board of Directors

This corporation shall initially have four (4) directors. The number of directors may be increased or decreased from time to time in accordance with the provisions of its By-Laws, but shall never be less than three (3). The procedures for election of directors shall be provided for in the By-Laws. The directors shall be protected from liability to the fullest extent of the law. The name and address of the initial directors of this corporation are: Lola Gonzalez, Gisela Salas, Blanca Fernandez and Reynaldo Martinez, 108 North Magnolia Avenue, Suite 202, Ocala, Florida 34475.

### ARTICLE VI Incorporator

The name and address of the person signing these Articles is: Peter M. Lopez, Esquire, c/o Peter M. Lopez, P.A., 1911 NW 150 Avenue, Suite 201, Pembroke Pines, Florida, 33028.

| IN WITNESS WHERE                 | OF, the undersigne | ed subscriber has executed these Article              | es of |
|----------------------------------|--------------------|---|-------|
| Incorporation on this 4th day of | May, 2008.         |   |       |
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|                                  |                    | PETER M. LOPYZ Kabscriber                             |       |
| STATE OF FLORIDA                 | )                  |   |       |
| •                                | SS:                |   |       |
| COUNTY OF BROWARD                | )                  | •   |       |
| The foregoing instrumer          | it was acknowledge | ged before me this $\mathcal{Q}^{t}$ day of May, 2008 | , by  |
| PETER M. LOPEZ, who is personal  |                    |   |       |
|                                  |                    |   |       |



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

#### CASA CUBA OCALA-GAINESVILLE, INC.

In pursuance of the Florida Statutes, the following is submitted, in compliance with said Act:

First—that CASA CUBA OCALA-GAINESVILLE, INC., a Florida not-for-profit corporation, desiring to organize under the laws of the State of Florida with its principal office at: 108 North Magnolia Avenue, Suite 202, Ocala, Florida 34475, has named Peter M. Lopez, Esquire, c/o Peter M. Lopez, P.A. located at 1911 NW 150 Avenue, Suite 201, Pembroke Pines, Florida, 33028, as its agent to accept service of process within this State.

Having been named to accept service of process for the above stated corporation, at the place designated in this certificate, I hereby accept to act in this capacity, and agree to comply with the provision of said Act relative to keeping open said office.

ETER M. LOPEZ

SECRETARY OF STATE.

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