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ASSOCIATED INDUSTRIES OF FLORIDA INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY COUNCIL POLITICAL ACTION COMMITTEE

ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

In Compliance with Chapter 617, Florida Statutes, the undersigned hereby associate themselves to form a corporation not for profit, and for these purposes, do hereby adopt the following Articles of Incorporation.

ARTICLE I NAME

The name of the corporation shall be ASSOCIATED INDUSTRIES OF FLORIDA INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY COUNCIL POLITICAL ACTION COMMITTENANCE

ARTICLE II PRINCIPAL OFFICE

The principal street address and mailing address of the corporation are both:

516 North Adams Street Tallahassee, Florida 32301

ARTICLE III PURPOSE

The purposes for which the corporation is organized are to advocate for or against candidates for political office; accept contributions for the purpose of making contributions to any candidate political committee, committee of continuous existence or political party; accept contributions for the purpose of expressly advocating the election or defeat of a candidate or issue; make expenditures that expressly advocate the election or defeat of a candidate or issue; makes contributions to a common fund, other than a joint checking account between spouses, from which contributions are made to any candidate, political committee, committee of continuous existence, or political party; advocate for or against legislation, legislative proposals and ballot initiatives which the corporation determines will injure the economy of the State of Florida and its citizens; to advocate for legislation, legislative proposals and ballot initiatives which the corporation determines are in the best economic interests of the State of Florida and its citizens; and, in general, to do any and all acts and things necessary to accomplish any purpose of the corporation in accordance with these Articles and the laws of the State of Florida.

The purposes for which the corporation is organized shall be limited to those which it determines are in the best economic interests of the State of Florida and its citizens. In no event shall the corporation engage in any activity prohibited by or contrary to the express and intended requirements governing any organization the activities of which are exempt from federal income tax under Section 501(c)4 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as hereafter amended, and the applicable rules and regulations thereunder (the "Code").

The corporation shall not be operated for the primary purpose of carrying on an unrelated trade or business as defined in Section 513 of the Code.

No compensation shall be paid to any member, officer, director, trustee, creator or organizer of the corporation or substantial contributor to it except as a reasonable allowance for services actually rendered to or for the corporation.

The corporation is organized to serve public interests. Accordingly, it shall not be operated to the benefit of private interests.

<u>ARTICLE IV MEMBERS</u>

Initially, the Corporation shall have no members. Its affairs shall be managed and handled by a Board of Directors. The Corporation's Bylaws may adopt provisions governing membership.

ARTICLE V OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS

The affairs of the corporation shall be governed by a Board of Directors consisting of not less than three (3) and no more than fifteen (15) persons. Each Director shall be elected by a majority vote of the Board of Directors voting to serve a term of one year commencing on the date of election announced.

The Board of Directors of the corporation shall establish Bylaws under which its operations, elections, meetings and other business will be governed.

The Corporation shall have a President and a Treasurer. Initially, the Corporation will also have a Chair, Vice Chair and secretary. Pursuant to the terms of the corporation Bylaws, all officers other than President and Treasurer may be deleted, amended, defined, elected or otherwise changed upon a majority vote of the Board of Directors. In the event of a vacancy in any office or on the Board of Directors, the Board of Directors shall elect a Director to fill such

vacancy until that term expires, in accordance with the requirements of the Bylaws of the corporation.

ARTICLE VI MANNER OF ELECTION

Subsequent to the initial officers and directors listed below, all officers and directors of the corporation shall be elected by a majority vote of the Board of Directors in any manner provided by the Bylaws of the corporation.

ARTICLE VII INITIAL OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS

The names and addresses of the initial officers and directors of the corporation who will serve until the first election under the Articles of Incorporation are as follows:

Claudia Diaz de la Portilla Chair 150 S Monroe St Ste 206 Tallahassee, FL 32301

Traci Small Vice Chair 12600 Gateway Boulevard Fort Myers, FL 33913

Barney T. Bishop, III President 516 North Adams Street Tallahassee, FL 32301 Robert D. McRae

Treasurer

516 North Adams Street Tallahassee, FL 32301

Michelle Mattox Secretary

516 North Adams Street Tallahassee, FL 32301

ARTICLE VIII TERM OF EXISTENCE

The corporation shall exist in perpetuity.

ARTICLE IX AMENDMENTS

The corporation shall amend these Articles of Incorporation in any manner permitted by law.

ARTICLE X DISSOLUTION

Upon dissolution or liquidation of the corporation, its assets, if any remaining after payment or provision for payment of all liabilities of the corporation shall be distributed to Associated Industries of Florida Political Action Committee, Inc., in Tallahassee, Leon County, Florida.

ARTICLE VI INITIAL REGISTERED AGENT AND STREET ADDRESS

The name and Florida street address of the registered agent is:

TAMELA IVEY PERDUE, ESQ. Stiles, Taylor & Grace, P.A. 317 North Calhoun Street Tallahassee, Florida 32301

ARTICLE VII INCORPORATOR

The name and address of the Incorporator is:

TAMELA IVEY PERDUE, ESQ. Stiles, Taylor & Grace, P.A. 317 North Calhoun Street Tallahassee, Florida 32301

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Having been named as registered agent to accept service of process for ASSOCIATED INDUSTRIES OF FLORIDA INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY COUNCIL POLITICAL ACTION COMMITTEE 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.

TAMELA IVEY PERDUE

Registered Agent

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TAMELA IVEY PERDUE

Incorporator

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