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August 10, 2009

Mr. Sean Toner
Division of Corporations
Florida Department of State
P.O. Box 6327
Tallahassee, Florida 32314

Re: Request to Incorporate as a Not For Profit Corporation

Dear Mr. Toner:

This letter is to certify that The Friends of Alafia, Inc has been designated as and is authorized to serve as the citizen support organization to provide support for the Division of Recreation and Parks in accordance with Section 258.015, F.S. They are requesting to incorporate as a Not For Profit corporation.

Enclosed are the cover letter and Articles of Incorporation. Pursuant to Section 617.0122, F.S., this filing is exempt from any fees when certified by this department.

Please call Mary Hanley at 245-3081 if additional information is needed.

Sincerely,

Mike Bullock
Director
Florida Park Service

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Enclosure

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COVER LETTER

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

SUBJECT: Friends of Alafia River, Inc.
(PROPOSED CORPORATE NAME – MUST INCLUDE SUFFIX)

Enclosed is an original and one (1) copy of the Articles of Incorporation and a check for :

☐ \$70.00
Filing Fee

☐ \$78.75
Filing Fee &
Certificate of
Status

☐ \$78.75
Filing Fee
& Certified Copy

☐ \$87.50
Filing Fee,
Certified Copy
& Certificate

ADDITIONAL COPY REQUIRED

FROM: Mary C. Hanley
Name (Printed or typed)

3900 Commonwealth Blvd., MS 535
Address

Tallahassee, Florida 32399-3000
City, State & Zip

850-245-3081
Daytime Telephone number

mary.hanley@DEP.State.FI.US
E-mail address: (to be used for future annual report notification)

NOTE: Please provide the original and one copy of the articles.

ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION
OF
FRIENDS OF ALAFIA, INC.
A NONPROFIT FLORIDA CORPORATION

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ARTICLE I

NAME

The name of this corporation is FRIENDS OF ALAFIA, INC., a nonprofit Florida Corporation.

ARTICLE II

PRINCIPAL PLACE OF BUSINESS

Alafia River State Park, 14326 South County Rd 39, Lithia, FL 33547. This will also be the mailing address for this organization.

ARTICLE III

PURPOSE

This corporation is organized exclusively for charitable, educational, and scientific purposes within the meaning of section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue code, 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 corresponding section of any future federal tax code. More particularly, to conduct programs and activities, sponsor promotions, raise funds, request and receive grants, gifts, contributions, dues and bequests of money, real and personal property; or acquire, receive hold, invest and administer, in it's own name, securities, funds, objects of value, or other property, real or personal; and make expenditures and distributions to or for the benefits of the Alafia River State Park.

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, above. 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 otherwise 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 these articles, this corporation shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on (a) by a corporation exempt under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any

future federal tax code, or (b) by a corporation, contributions to which are deductible under section 170(c)(2) of Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

ARTICLE IV

HOW DIRECTORS ARE ELECTED OR APPOINTED

The method of election and/or appointment of directors to the board are described in the bylaws.

ARTICLE V

INITIAL BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Andrea Mosier
P.O. Box 9
Terra Ceia, FL 34250

Julianne North
1904 Capri Rd
Valrico, FL 33594

Connie Boyette
19242 Grange Hall Loop
Wimauma, FL 33598

Mary Lou Sapp
1205 S. Evers St.
Plant City, FL 33563

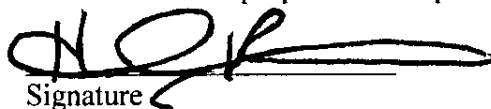
Heather Rutledge
2606 Little Road
Valrico, FL 33596

ARTICLE VI

REGISTERED AGENT

The street and mailing address of the initial registered office is 2606 Little Road, Valrico, Florida 33596. The initial registered agent at that address is Heather Rutledge.

Having been named to accept service of process for the above stated corporation, I hereby agree to act in this capacity, and I further agree to comply with the provisions of all statutes relative to the proper and complete performance of my duties.


Signature

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ARTICLE VII

INCORPORATOR

I the undersigned subscriber have executed these Articles of Incorporation this
28th day of May, 2009.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "H. Rutledge", written over a horizontal line.

Signature

Heather Rutledge

Printed Name