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Ronnie N. Graves 11927 SW 31<sup>st</sup> Terrace Webster, FL 33597

Dear Ronnie:

Enclosed herewith please find a proposed corporate charter for Florida State Animal Response Coalition, Inc.

Please sign where indicated as 'Incorporator' and 'Registered Agent' in the presence of a Notary. It should then be forwarded to: Department of State, Division of Corporations, Corporate Filings, P.O. Box 6327, Tallahassee, FL 32314, together with a check in the amount of \$78.75, payable to the Department of State.

Should you have any questions, please feel free to call.

Very truly (ye)

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#### FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF STATE Division of Corporations

May 27, 2010

RONNIE N GRAVES 11927 SW 31 ST TERRACE WEBSTER, FL 33597

SUBJECT: FLORIDA STATE ANIMAL RESPONSE COALITION, INC.

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We have received your document for FLORIDA STATE ANIMAL RESPONSE COALITION, INC. and your check(s) totaling \$78.75. However, the enclosed document has not been filed and is being returned for the following correction(s):

The registered agent must sign accepting the designation.

Please return the corrected original and one copy of your document, along with a copy of this letter, within 60 days or your filing will be considered abandoned.

If you have any questions concerning the filing of your document, please call (850) 245-6928.

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## ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF

### FLORIDA STATE ANIMAL RESPONSE COALITION, INC. A FLORIDA NOT-FOR-PROFIT CORPORATION

The undersigned subscribers to these Articles of Incorporation, a majority of whom are citizens of the United States, and natural persons competent to contract, hereby form a Not-For-Profit Corporation under the Not-For-Profit Laws of the State of Florida.

ARTICLE I. NAME. The name of the Corporation shall be:
FLORIDA STATE ANIMAL RESPONSE COALITION, INC.

**ARTICLE II. DURATION.** The duration of the Corporation is perpetual.

#### ARTICLE III. PURPOSES. The purposes of the Corporation are as follows:

- A. This Corporation is a not-for-profit corporation organized under Chapter 617, Florida Statutes. It is not organized for the private gain of any person. The specific organization and operation of this Corporation is for the following purposes;
  - 1. To exclusively provide 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 changes, and specifically, for the prevention of cruelty to children, or animals, as contemplated by Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.
- B. To exercise all rights and powers conferred by the laws of the State of Florida upon non-profit corporations.
- C. Provided, however, that the Corporation shall not engage in any action which is not permitted to be carried on by non-profit corporations under the Internal

Revenue Code and no part of the net earnings of the Corporation shall inure to the benefit of or be distributable to its members, directors or officers, or other private persons; but the Corporation shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation to these people for services rendered, and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of its stated purpose. 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, the Corporation shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on (a) by a corporation exempt from federal income tax under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code, or (b) by a corporation, contributions to which are deductible under Section 170(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

- D. The Corporation will distribute its income for each tax year at a time and in a manner as not to become subject to the tax on undistributed income imposed by Section 4942 of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code.
- E. The Corporation will not engage in any act of self-dealing as defined in Section 4941(d) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code.
- F. The Corporation will not retain any excess business holdings as defined in Section 4943(c) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code.
- G. The Corporation will not make any investments in a manner as to subject it to tax under Section 4944 of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

H. The Corporation will not make any taxable expenditures as defined in Section 4945(d) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

ARTICLE IV. 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 or 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.

ARTICLE V. MEMBERS. The Corporation shall have Voting Members, who shall be elected (and may be removed) by the Voting Members, and who shall have all the rights and privileges of members of the Corporation. The Bylaws may provide for Non-voting Members of one or more classes, who shall be admitted in such manner and who shall have such rights and privileges as are set forth in the Bylaws, but who shall not have the right to vote. The name address of each initial Voting Member is as follows:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>
MEREDITH ANNE SHIELDS	8754 E. Haines Court, Floral City, FL 34436
CONCHITA O. BROOKS	4220 23 <sup>rd</sup> Ave., No., St. Petersburg, FL 33713
LAURA ANNE BEVAN	2936 Joyce Drive, Tallahassee, FL 32303
CONSUELO MARIA von GONTARD	925 Bunker View Dr., Apollo Beach, FL 33572
RONNIE N. GRAVES	11927 SW 31st Terrace, Webster, FL 33597

ARTICLE VI. INITIAL REGISTERED AGENT AND OFFICE. The initial registered agent is RONNIE N. GRAVES, and the initial registered office is: 11927 SW 31<sup>st</sup> Terrace, Webster, FL 33597.

The principal office of the Corporation is: 11927 SW 31st Terrace, Webster, FL 33597

ARTICLE VII. INITIAL BOARD OF DIRECTORS. The initial Board of Directors Five - RG shall have four members whose names and addresses are:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>
MEREDITH ANNE SHIELDS	8754 E. Haines Court, Floral City, FL 34436
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The number of directors may be raised or lowered by amendment of the Bylaws, but shall, in no case, be less than three. The method of election of members to the Board of Directors shall be as provided in the Bylaws of this corporation.

ARTICLE VIII. OFFICERS. The officers of the Corporation shall consist of a President, Secretary and Treasurer. Other officers may be provided for in the Bylaws. Each officer shall be elected by the Board of Directors (and may be removed by the Board of Directors) at such time and in such manner as may be prescribed by the Bylaws. The name and address of each initial officer of the Corporation is as follows:

<u>Title</u>	<u>Name</u>	Address
President	CONCHITA O. BROOKS	4220 23rd Ave., No., St. Petersburg, FL 33713
Secretary	MEREDITH ANNE SHIELDS	8754 E. Haines Court, Floral City, FL 34436
Treasurer	LAURA ANNE BEVAN	2936 Joyce Drive, Tallahassee, FL 32303

**ARTICLE IX. INCORPORATORS.** The names and addresses of the incorporators of this Corporation are as follows:

Name

Address

RONNIE N. GRAVES

11927 SW 31<sup>ST</sup> Terrace, Webster, FL 33597

ARTICLE X. NONSTOCK BASIS. The Corporation is organized (and shall be operated) on a nonstock basis within the meaning of the Florida Not For Profit Corporation Act, and shall not have the power to issue shares of any type or class of stock, but may issue membership certificates if so provided in the Bylaws.

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Incorporator

I, RONNIE N. GRAVES, hereby am familiar with the obligations and accept, the duties and responsibilities as Registered Agent for FLORIDA STATE ANIMAL RESPONSE COALITION, INC., a Florida not-for-profit corporation.

RONNIE N. GRAVES
Registered Agent

STATE OF FLORIDA COUNTY OF LIME

The foregoing instrument was subscribed to before me on this day of 2010, by RONNIE N. GRAVES, who is personally known to me or who produced as identification.

COMM. EXP.

(Name of Notary Typed, Printed Or Stamped) A. YACUZZO

Notary Public - State of Florida

My Commission Expires Jul 30, 2011

Commission # DD 797526

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