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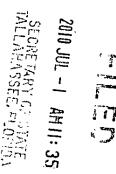
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# **COVER LETTER**

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

SUBJECT: MUSEUM OF WINTER HAVEN HISTORY, INC.

(PROPOSED CORPORATE NAME - MUST INCLUDE SUFFIX)

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

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# ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF

# Museum of Winter Haven History (A Florida Not for Profit Corporation)

We, the undersigned, with others being desirous of forming a philanthropic corporation not for profit under the provisions of Chapter 617 of the Florida Statutes, do hereby adopt the following Articles of Incorporation:

#### ARTICLE I: Name

The name of this Corporation shall be Museum of Winter Haven History, Inc., a Florida Not for Profit Corporation.

# ARTICLE II: Principal Office

The principal place of business and mailing address of this Corporation shall be 5231 660 Pope Avenue, NW, Winter Haven, FL, 33881.

#### ARTICLE III: Purpose

- a) Notwithstanding any other provisions of these articles, the purposes for which this organization is organized are exclusively charitable 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.
- b) Notwithstanding any other provisions of these articles, this organization shall not carry on any activities not permitted to be carried on by an organization exempt from Federal income tax under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue law.
- c) Upon the dissolution of the organization, assets shall be distributed for one or more exempt purposes within the meaning of section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, or corresponding section of any future Federal tax code, or shall be distributed to the Federal, 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 organization is then located, exclusively for such purposes.
- d) In accordance with the above requirements, the objects and purposes of this Corporation shall be:

- 1. To collect, preserve and exhibit artifacts and information significant to the history of the greater Winter Haven, Florida area.
- 2. To organize and present educational presentations and materials relevant to the history of the greater Winter Haven, Florida area.
- 3. To have and exercise all powers conferred upon not for profit corporations under the laws of the State of Florida generally, and specifically as provided in Section 617.021 of the Florida Not For Profit Corporation Act, not in conflict with the foregoing purposes.

# **ARTICLE IV: Manner of Election**

The initial Directors of the Corporation shall be appointed by the Incorporators and shall include five members of the community interested in Winter Haven history. Additional Directors may from time to time be nominated and elected by the Directors of the Corporation. The minimum and maximum number of Directors shall be defined in the Bylaws of the corporation.

# ARTICLE V: Initial Directors/Officers

The initial Directors and Officers of the Corporation shall be:

President: Bob Gernert, Jr.

Vice President: Miles Plowden, III

Secretary: Phyllis Gilbert Treasurer: Evie McCutcheon Director: David M. Lane

# ARTICLE VI: Initial Registered Agent and Street Address

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

Bob Gernert 401 Avenue B, NW Winter Haven, FL 33881

# **ARTICLE VII: Incorporators**

The names and addresses of the Incorporators are:

Bobby E. Gernert, Jr. 1433 N. Lake Howard Drive Winter Haven, FL 33881

David M. Lane 1776 Sixth Street, NW #409 Winter Haven, FL 33881 SECREPRY DELICITE

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we the undersigned incorporators have hereunto set our hands and seals for the purpose of forming the Museum of Winter Haven History, INC., a Florida Not For Profit Corporation under the Laws of the State of Florida.

Date

Having been named as registered agent to accept service of process for the above-stated corporation 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.

Date