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**SUBJECT:** Friends of the Wacissa, 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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☐ \$78.75  
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**FROM:** Richard C. Zelznak

Name (Printed or typed)

8794 Megans Lane

Address

Tallahassee, Florida, 32309

City, State & Zip

850-321-9250

Daytime Telephone number

rzezlnak@gmail.com

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  
FRIENDS OF THE WACISSA, INC.**

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**ARTICLE I  
NAME**

The name of the corporation shall be: FRIENDS OF THE WACISSA, INC.

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**ARTICLE II  
PRINCIPAL OFFICE**

The principal place of business and mailing address of this corporation shall be:  
8794 Megans Lane, Tallahassee, Florida 32309

**ARTICLE III  
PURPOSE**

The Corporation is organized as a nonprofit corporation and shall be operated exclusively for charitable purposes expressed within the meaning of Section 501(c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code:

The purposes for which the Corporation is formed are exclusively educational and scientific, to wit:

- (a) To collect and disseminate information with the goal of protecting the waters and lands supporting the aquifer, springs and rivers within the watershed of the Wacissa River.
- (b) To promote public awareness pertaining to the ecology, quality, and quantity of the waters and lands immediately adjacent to and supporting the Wacissa River, including its springs and underlying aquifer.
- (c) To receive and administer funds for educational and scientific purposes and to that end to take and hold by bequest, devise, gift, grant, purchase, lease, or otherwise, either absolutely or jointly with any other person, persons, or corporation, any property, real, personal, tangible, or intangible, or any undivided interest therein, without limitation as to amount or value; to sell, convey, or otherwise dispose of any such property and to invest, reinvest, or deal with the principal of the income thereof in such manner as, in the judgment of the directors, will best promote the purposes of the Corporation without limitation, except such limitations, if any, as may be contained in the instrument under which such property is received, the Articles of Incorporation, or bylaws of the Corporation, or any laws applicable thereto.

- (d) Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, the primary purposes of the Corporation shall be education regarding ground water use in environmentally sensitive and agricultural areas along the waterways and including Florida's Wacissa River; through presentations in public and private gatherings, in schools and universities; by participation in public dialogue and study groups, government agencies and task forces; and in participation in the formation of new ideas pertinent to these issues and as defined above.

#### **ARTICLE IV** **MANNER OF ELECTION**

The manner in which the directors are elected or appointed:

The initial directors are to be appointed by the standing board of directors which were self-appointed. The term of appointment is two years and may be renewed twice.

#### **ARTICLE V** **INITIAL OFFICERS** / *Directors*

Name	Address	Title
Georgia Ackerman	8794 Megans Ln., Tallahassee, FL 32309	President
Roland Brumbley	1079 E. Pinhook Rd., Wacissa, FL 32344	Vice-President
Michael Mendez	8901 Winged Foot Dr., Tallahassee, FL 32312	Secretary/Treasurer

#### **ARTICLE VI** **INITIAL REGISTERED AGENT AND STREET ADDRESS**

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

Michael Mendez  
8901 Winged Foot Dr.  
Tallahassee, FL, 32312

#### **ARTICLE VII** **EFFECTIVE DATE FOR THE INCORPORATION**

~~The date of receipt~~ is to be the effective date of the corporation.

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**ARTICLE VIII  
INCORPORATOR**

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The name and address of the Incorporator is:

Richard C. Zelznak  
Friends of the Wacissa, Inc.  
8794 Megans Lane  
Tallahassee, Florida 32309

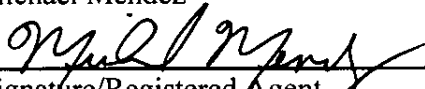
**ARTICLE IX  
DISTRIBUTION UPON DISSOLUTION POLICY**

Upon the dissolution of the corporation, after paying or adequately providing for the debts and obligations of the corporation, the remaining assets shall be transferred or conveyed to a nonprofit fund, foundation, or corporation which is organized and operated exclusively for charitable, educational, religious, and scientific purposes and which has established its tax exempt status under Section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

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*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.*

Michael Mendez

 12/4/2010  
Signature/Registered Agent Date

*I submit this document and affirm that the facts stated herein are true. I am aware that any false information submitted in a document to the Department of State constitutes a third degree felony as provided for in s.817.155, F.S.*

Richard C. Zelznak

 12/17/2010  
Signature/Incorporator Date