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SUBJECT: Greater	Gainesville Transportation	on Advocates, Inc.		
	(PROPOSED CORPORA)	E NAME – <u>MUST INCL</u>	UDE SUFFIX)	
Enclosed is an original	and one (1) copy of the Artic	cles of Incorporation and	d a check for:	
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NOTE: Please provide the original and one copy of the articles.

Articles of Incorporation of Greater Gainesville Transportation Advocates, Inc.

Article I - Name

The name of the Corporation is Greater Gainesville Transportation Advocates, Inc.

Article II - Principal Office

The principal office of the Corporation is:

408 NW 4th Avenue Gainesville, Florida 32601

Article III - Purposes

The Corporation is organized under Chapter 617, Florida Statutes, exclusively for following educational and charitable purposes:

- (1) to provide education and information to the public that is beneficial to the community and that is related to the planning, development, operation and/or maintenance of transportation systems;
- (2) to support the planning, development, maintenance and/or operation of transportation systems;
- (3) to conduct research activities related to the planning, development, operation and/ or maintenance of transportation systems;
- (4) to solicit and receive funds, gifts, endowments, donations, devises and bequests to fund activities that further the purposes of the Corporation; and
- (5) to make 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 code.

The Corporation is organized exclusively for charitable purposes as a not-for-profit corporation within the meaning of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code. 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 this Article. 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.

Article IV - Members

The Corporation may have one or more classes of members. The designation of such class or classes and the qualifications and the rights of the members of each class shall be set forth in the Bylaws.

Article V - Directors

The affairs, business and operation of the Corporation shall be managed by a Board of Directors. The Board of Directors shall consist of not fewer than three (3) directors, who shall be elected and may be removed as provided in the Bylaws.

Article VI - Officers

The officers of the Board shall be a Chair, a Vice Chair, a Secretary and such other officers as may be elected or appointed. All officers shall be elected or appointed as provided in the Bylaws.

Article VII - Term

The term of the Corporation shall be perpetual.

Article VIII - Registered Agent

The name and street address of the registered agent is:

Thomas Hawkins 408 NW 4th Avenue Gainesville, Florida 32601

Article IX - Incorporator

The name and street address of the Incorporator is:

Thomas Hawkins 408 NW 4th Avenue Gainesville, Florida 32601

Article X - Dissolution

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 City of Gainesville, Florida or to Alachua County, Florida 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.

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.

Signature of Registered Agent

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 Section 817.155, Florida Statutes.

Signature of Incorporator

Date