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Department of State
Division of Corporations
P. OsBox 6327
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SUBJECT: The Sassy Seniors & Steppers, Inc.

(PROPOSED CORPORATE NAME - MUST INCLUDE SUFFIX)

nclosed is a	n original	and one (1) copy of the A	Articles of Incorporation an	d a check for:
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#### FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF STATE Division of Corporations

April 26, 2011

ÄNNIE SMITH 8138 GLASGOW COURT UACKSONVILLE, FL 32244

SUBJECT: THE SASSY SENIORS & STEPPERS, INC.

Ref Number: W11000023309

we have received your document for THE SASSY SENIORS & STEPPERS, 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):

A corporation may not act as its own incorporator. Please designate an individual, another active domestic or foreign corporation, with a street address.

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) 245-6973.

Claretha Golden
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# ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF THE SASSY SENIORS AND STEPPERS, INC. A Florida "Not for Profit Corporation

SECRETARY OF STATE DIVISION OF CORPORATIONS

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In compliance with the laws of the State of Florida, the undersigned do hereby voluntarily associate the purpose of forming a corporation not-for-profit for the purpose and with powers set forth herein.

#### ARTICLE 1 - NAME AND PRINICIPAL OFFICE

The name of the corporation is <u>The Sassy Seniors & Steppers, Inc.</u> The principal office of the corporation shall be located at <u>8138 Glasgow Ct</u>, <u>Jacksonville</u>, <u>FL 32244</u> but the Corporation may maintain offices and transact business in such places, within or without the State of Florida, as the Board of Directors may from time to time designate. The principal office shall also be the mailing and registered office address.

#### ARTICLE II – TERM OF EXISTENCE

The period of duration is perpetual. The corporation is organized pursuant to the Not for Profit Corporation laws of the State of Florida. The date on which corporate existence shall begin is the date of which these Articles of Incorporation are filed with the Secretary of State of the State of Florida.

#### ARTICLE III - PURPOSE AND POWERS

The purpose of this corporation shall be exclusively charitable, religious, educational or scientific under 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 Code or corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

The organization may undertake the following activities:

- A. To cultivate relationships between low to moderate income people of different generations by offering opportunities to interact with each other.
- B. To provide social, educational and physical activities that are affordable to the senior and retired community.

- C. For such purposes, the Corporation shall have and exercise the following authority and powers:
  - 1. To have and exercise any and all powers, rights and privileges which a Corporation organized under the law of the State of Florida may not or hereafter have or exercise.
  - 2. To do all things necessary or desirable to accomplish the purpose of the Corporation as the Directors of the Corporation may from time to time deem appropriate which are consistent with powers conferred upon a not-for-profit corporation under the laws of the State of Florida and the Internal Revenue Code.
  - 3. To purchase, take receive, lease, take by gift, devise or bequest, or otherwise acquire, own, hold improve, use or otherwise deal in and with real or personal property of any interest therein, wherever situated.

#### ARTICLE IV - POWERS - NO DISTRIBUTION OF GAIN

No part of the net earning of the corporation shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributed to its members, trustees, officers, or other private persons, except that the corporation shall 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 III. The corporation is not organized nor shall it be operated for the primary purpose of generating pecuniary gain or profit. No substantial part of the activities of the corporation shall consist of 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 any candidate for public office. Not withstanding any other provision of these articles, this organization shall not except to an insubstantial degree, engage in any activities or exercise any powers that are not in furtherance of the purposes of this corporation. Nor shall the corporation carry on any other activities not under section 501(c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 or the corresponding provision of any future Federal tax code or 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 V – REGISTERED AGENT

The name and address of the initial registered agent and office of the Corporation is:

Annie Smith, 8138 Glasgow Ct, Jacksonville, FL 32244

#### ARTICLE VI - BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The affairs of this corporation shall be managed by a Board of Directors. The number of Directors of the Corporation shall be not less than five (5), provided however that the Board of Directors may, from time to time, increase or decrease the number of Directors, so long as the number of Directors does not exceed \_\_\_\_15\_\_\_. The method of election of the Board of Directors shall be in stated in the Bylaws. The names of and addresses of the initial Board of Directors are:

Ms. Annie R. Smith 8138 Glasgow Ct. Jacksonville, FL 32244

Ms. Dolly Smith 1422 Ellis Trace Dr. W Jacksonville, FL 32205

Mrs. Cheryl Nelson 12054 Marldon Lane Jacksonville, FL 32258

Wanda Harrell 9143 13<sup>th</sup> Ave Jacksonville, FL 32208

#### **ARTICLE VII - OFFICERS**

Subject to the direction of the Board of Directors, the officers shall administer the affairs of this corporation as designed in the Bylaws. The names and addresses of the officers who shall serve until the first annual meeting of the Board of Directors are:

President - Annie R. Smith

Treasurer – Dolly Smith

Secretary - Cheryl Nelson

Parliamentarian – Wanda Harrell

Such other officers may be authorized and elected pursuant to the Corporation Bylaws

#### ARTICLE VIII - BYLAWS

The Bylaws of the Corporation shall be adopted by the first Board of Directors, which Bylaws may be altered, amended, modified or appealed in the manner set forth in the Bylaws.

#### ARTICLE IX - AMENDMENTS

The Corporation reserves the right to amend or repeal any of the provisions contained in these Articles of Incorporation or any amendments hereto. Written notice setting forth the proposed amendment of a summary of the changes to be effected by the amendment must be given to each director in the same manner as notice for the meeting. Such amendment shall require the assent of a two-thirds majority vote of the Directors present.

#### ARTICLE X – DISSOLUTION

The Corporation may be dissolved with the assent given in writing and signed by not less than seventy-five percent (75%) of the Directors. Upon dissolution of the Corporation, the assets of the Corporation remaining after payment of all debts and liabilities shall be distributed for one or more exempt purposes within the meaning of section 501(c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code or any corresponding section of any future federal tax code or shall be distributed for a public purpose to the federal government, a state or local government or to an organization recognized as exempt under section 501(c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code to be used exclusively for charitable and educational purposes. The Circuit Court of the county in which the principal office of the organization is located, shall dispose of any assets not disposed of, exclusively for such purposes or to such organization(s) as said court shall determine in organized and operated exclusively for such purpose, upon petition thereof by the Attorney General or by any person concerned in the liquidation.

#### ARTICLE XI – INDEMNIFICATION OF DIRECTORS

A direction shall discharge his or her duties as director, including his or her duties as a member of any committee:

- A. With good faith:
- B. With care and ordinarily prudent person in a like position would exercise Under similar circumstances; and
- C. In a manner he reasonably believes to be in the best interests of the Corporation.

In discharging his or her duties, a Director may rely upon information, opinions, reports or statements, including financial statements and other financial data, if prepared or presented by:

- A. One or more officers or employees of the Corporation whom the Director reasonably to be reliable and competent in the matters presented;
- B. Legal counsel, public accountants or other persons as to matters the Director reasonable believes are within the person's professional or expert competence;
- C. A committee of the Board of Directors of which he is not a member, if the If the Director reasonable believes the committee merits confident.

A Director is not liable for any action taken as a Director, or failure to take any action, if he performed the duties of his office in reliance on this provision.

Any person (and the heirs, executors and administrators of such person) made or threatened to be made a party to any action, suit of proceeding by reason of the fact that he is or was a Director or Officer of the Corporation shall be indemnified by the Corporation against any and all liability and the reasonable expenses, including attorney's fees and disbursements, incurred by him (or by his heirs, executors or administrators) in connection with the defense or settlement of such action, suit or proceeding, or in connection with any appearance therein, except in relation to matters as to which it shall be adjudged in such action, suit or proceeding that such Director or Officer is liable for negligence or misconduct in the performance of his duties. Such right of indemnification shall be deemed exclusive of any other rights to which such Director or Office (or such heirs, executors of administrators) may be entitled apart from this Article.

#### ARTICLE XII – INCORPORATOR

The name and address of the incorporator is: Annie Smith, 8138 Glasgow Ct, Jacksonville, FL 32244

These Articles of Incorporation are hereby executed by the Incorporator on this 25 day of May 20 11.

Incorporator

STATE OF FLORIDA ]

**COUNTY OF DUVAL** 

I HEREBY CERTIFY that on the	his day, before me, an officer duly authorized in
	resaid to take acknowledgements, personally
appeared Annie R. Smith,	who is personally known to me known or who,
has produced Florida DL a	as identification and who did not take an oath.
WITNESS my hand and official	seal in the County and State last aforesaid this
day of may 25. , 2011.	

NOTARY PUBLIC STATE OF FLORIDA
Print Name: Term L. Malei"
My Commission Expires: 3 | 27 | 20 "

### CERTIFICATE OF DESIGNATION OF PLACE OF BUSINESS OR DOMICILE FOR THE SERVICE OF PROCESS WITHIN FLORIDA NAMING AGENT UPON WHOM PROCESS MAY BE SERVED

In compliance with Section 48.091, Florida Statutes, the following is submitted:

The Sassy Senio	ors & Steppers
	desiring to organize or qualify
	f Florida, with its principal place of business in the City of al, State of Florida, has name:
Annie Smith	, Jacksonville Fl 32244, as its agent to accept service
of process within Florida.	,
Dolly Smith	
(Print Name)	<del></del>
Treasurer (Date) 5-25-//	Smo-

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

Annie Smith

(Print Name)
(Date) 5/25/11