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SECRETARY OF STATE  
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ASSOCIATION OF CERTIFIED CONTAINER TREE GROWERS, INC.,

A Florida Not for Profit Agricultural Marketing Cooperative

The undersigned, desiring to form a cooperative association ("association") under the laws of the State of Florida, by and under the provisions of the Statutes of the State of Florida, providing for formation, liability, rights, privileges and immunities of an association not for profit, does hereby certify as follows:

ARTICLE I  
NAME

The name of this association shall be Association of Certified Container Tree Growers, Inc.  
The mailing address of the association shall be 7836 Cherry Lake Road, Groveland, Florida 34736.

ARTICLE II  
TERM OF EXISTENCE

This association shall have perpetual existence.

ARTICLE III  
PURPOSE AND POWERS OF ASSOCIATION

The general purpose of the association shall be to engage in any lawful act or activity for which not for profit associations may be organized under the provisions of Chapter 618 of Florida Statutes, which shall include, but not be limited to any cooperative activity in connection with the producing, marketing or selling of agricultural products.

To act as agent or representative for corporations, associations, firms and individuals and as such to develop, improve and extend agricultural trade and business interests of its members. To possess all powers granted to agricultural cooperative marketing associations under Chapter 618, Florida Statutes and to transact any or all lawful business permitted under Chapter 618, Florida Statutes.

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To make by-laws and regulations not inconsistent with the constitution or laws of the United States, or of this State, or of the Articles of Incorporation of the association; offices, to carry on all or any of its operations and business and without restrictions or limit as to amount, to purchase or otherwise acquire, hold, own, mortgage, sell, convey or otherwise dispose of real and personal property of every class and description and for the purposes of attaining or furthering any of its objects or purposes, the association shall have the power to do any and all such other incidental acts and things and to exercise any and all other powers which a co-partnership or natural person could do and exercise, as may be authorized by law.

The several clauses contained in this statement of purposes and powers shall be construed as both purposes and powers, and the statements contained in each shall, except where otherwise expressly stated, shall be in no wise limited or restricted by reference to or inference from the terms of any other clause, but shall be regarded as independent purposes and powers, rights or privileges given by law to agricultural cooperative marketing associations.

#### ARTICLE IV DIRECTORS

The affairs of the association are to be managed by Directors, elected or appointed, and at such times as established in the Bylaws of the association.

#### ARTICLE V CAPITAL STOCK; MEMBERS' PROPERTY RIGHTS

The association shall be organized without capital stock and the property rights and interest of each member shall be equal with those of every other member. Upon resignation, withdrawal or removal of member's principal place of business from the State of Florida, or loss of membership through non-payment of dues, or otherwise, such member shall cease to have any interest whatsoever in the property of the association.

ARTICLE VI  
INITIAL REGISTERED OFFICE AND AGENT

The street address of the initial registered office of this association shall be 1206 Manatee Avenue West, Bradenton, Florida 34205, and the name of the initial registered agent of this corporation at that address is Harrison, Kirkland, Pratt & McGuire, P.A.

ARTICLE VII  
INITIAL BOARD OF DIRECTORS

This association shall have a minimum of three (3) directors, and the names and addresses of the initial directors of this association are :

<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>
<u>Timothee Sallin</u>	<u>7836 Cherry Lake Road</u> <u>Groveland, Florida 34711</u>
<u>Matt Muenich</u>	<u>2400 Southeast Bridge Road</u> <u>Hobe Sound, Florida 33455</u>
<u>Chris Medico</u>	<u>4715 Lorraine Road</u> <u>Bradenton, Florida 34211</u>
<u>Vincent Tort</u>	<u>P.O. Box 1809</u> <u>Ruskin, Florida 33575</u>
<u>Mark Hillary</u>	<u>619 West State Road 50</u> <u>Groveland, Florida 34736</u>
<u>Joel Butler</u>	<u>2220 Gator Creek Ranch Rd</u> <u>Lakeland, Florida 33809</u>

ARTICLE VIII  
MEMBERS

This association may admit as members only those persons or entities engaged in the production of agricultural products under the terms and conditions of the Bylaws of this association.

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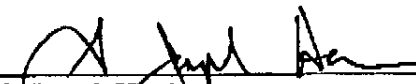
ARTICLE IX  
INCORPORATOR

The name and address of the person signing these Articles of Incorporation is

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TALLAHASSEE FLORIDA

G. Joseph Harrison, Esq.  
Harrison, Kirkland, Pratt & McGuire, P.A.  
1206 Manatee Avenue West  
Bradenton, FL 34205

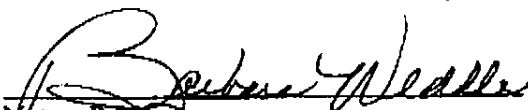
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have made, subscribed and acknowledged the foregoing  
Articles of Incorporation to be filed in the office of the Secretary of State this 25<sup>th</sup> day of  
July, 2011.

  
G. Joseph Harrison

STATE OF FLORIDA  
COUNTY OF MANATEE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that on this day, before me, an officer duly authorized to administer oaths and take acknowledgments, personally appeared G. JOSEPH HARRISON, known to me to be the person described in and who executed the foregoing instrument, who acknowledged before me that he executed the same, and an oath was not taken. (Check one:) ☒ Said person is personally known to me. ☐ Said person provided the following type of identification:

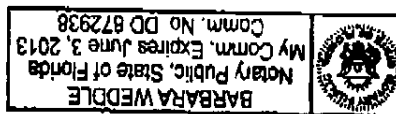
WITNESS my hand and official seal in the County and State last aforesaid this 25<sup>th</sup> day of  
July, A.D. 2011.

  
Notary Public

Printed Notary Name

Commission No. \_\_\_\_\_

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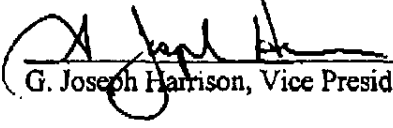
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ACCEPTANCE OF REGISTERED AGENTSECRETARY OF STATE  
TALLAHASSEE FLORIDA

The undersigned, having been named registered agent to accept service of process for Association of Certified Container Tree Growers, Inc., a Florida not for profit agricultural marketing cooperative, pursuant to Chapter 48.091 of the Florida Statutes, hereby accepts this designation and agrees to act in this capacity and further agrees to comply with the provisions of the Act relative to keeping the registered office of the corporation open.

Harrison, Kirkland, Pratt &amp; McGuire, P.A.

By:

  
G. Joseph Harrison, Vice President/Secretary

Registered Agent

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