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November 28, 2011

Secretary of State
Division of Corporations
Corporate Filings
P.O. Box 6327
Tallahassee, Florida 32314

Re: Articles of Incorporation Republican Club of Greater Largo, Inc.. (A Florida Non-Profit Corporation)

Dear Sir or Madam:

Enclosed please find an original and one copy of Articles of Incorporation for the above referenced non-profit entity, together with our check in the amount of \$ 70.00 which represents the required filing fee.

Please conform the copy of the Articles and return the same to this office showing the effective filing date of this non-profit corporation.

As always, your prompt attention to this matter will be greatly appreciated.

Singerely,

Paul J. Marino

Enclosure

SECRETARY DE STATE

#### ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

... **OF** 

#### REPUBLICAN CLUB OF GREATER LARGO, INC.

(A Florida Non-Profit Corporation)

#### ARTICLE I

#### **CORPORATE NAME**

The name of this corporation is: Republican Club of Greater Largo, Inc.

#### **ARTICLE II**

#### **CORPORATE NATURE**

This is a non-profit corporation organized solely for general educational purposes and those purposes authorized pursuant to the provisions of the Florida Corporation (Not-For Profit)

Law as set forth in Chapter 617, Florida Statute.

#### **ARTICLE III**

#### **DURATION**

The term of existence of the corporation is perpetual.

#### **ARTICLE IV**

#### GENERAL AND SPECIFIC PURPOSES

The specific and general purposes for which this corporation is formed are:

- (a) Support and encourage worthwhile local improvements.
- (b) Support the objectives and policies of the National, State, Congressional and County Committees of the Republican Party and to cooperate with those committees in seeking the election of Republican nominees.
- (c) Engage in and sponsor activities that will aid in the political education of the citizens in the community.
- (d) Encourage and stimulate the activity of all people in the affairs of government.
- (e) Advance the principles of the Republican Party, and to promote the Party's programs.
- (f) Solicit funds and pay bills incurred by this organization as may be necessary for and pertinent to the forwarding of the organization's proper enterprises.

- (g) Bring citizens of voting age into the Republican Party.
- (h) To have and exercise all rights and powers conferred on nonprofit corporations under the laws of the State of Florida, or which may hereafter be enacted or conferred, including the power to contract, rent, buy or sell personal or real property; provided, however, that this corporation shall not, except to an insubstantial degree, engage in any activity or exercise any power that are not in furtherance of the specific and primary purposes of this corporation.

#### ARTICLE V

#### MANAGEMENT OF CORPORATE AFFAIRS

- (a) BOARD OF DIRECTORS. The powers of this corporation shall be exercised, its properties controlled, and its affairs conducted by a Board of Directors consisting of not less than twelve (12) persons, provided that the number and composition of the Board of Directors may be changed by the by-laws of the corporation, duly adopted by the Board.
- (c) METHOD OF SELECTION OF DIRECTORS. Directors of the Board shall be nominated and appointed by the membership of this corporation.
- (d) ELECTION AND TERM OF OFFICERS. Officers of the corporation shall be elected by the members of the corporation. The term of office of each Officer and Director of the corporation shall be fixed by the by-laws of the corporation.
- (e). EXECUTIVE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE. There shall be an Executive Management Committee of the Board consisting of the corporate officers, to wit, President, First Vice President. Second Vice President, Treasurer, Recording Secretary, and Corresponding Secretary. The Executive Management Committee may act in lieu of the Board between regular meetings of the Board of Directors on all matters requiring immediate attention; and they shall have the authority to exercise all of the powers and prerogative of the Board of Directors, except to fill any vacancy of a vacant Director position. The Executive Management Committee may be called into session on the call of the President.

#### (e). INITIAL CORPORATE OFFICERS AND BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The names and addresses of the initial corporate officers and Board of Commissioners are as follows:

NAME J. Casey Cox	OFFICE President	ADDRESS 2840 La Concha Drive Clearwater, Florida. 33762
Charles J. Harper	1 <sup>st</sup> Vice President	3310 Overlook Road Largo Florida 33770
Kathleen B Gagne	2 <sup>nd</sup> Vice President	9 Jeff Road Largo Florida 33774
Frederick J. Belzel	Treasurer	12809 Mia Circle Largo Florida 33774
Antoinette L. Wolff	Recording Secretary	1749 S. Highland Avenue – Unit C-6 Clearwater, Florida 33756
Stephen G. McClelland	Corresponding Secretary	15 N. Aurora Avenue Clearwater, Florida 33765

#### **ARTICLE VI**

#### EARNINGS AND ACTIVITIES OF CORPORATION

- (a). No part of the net earnings of the corporation shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributed to its members, directors, 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 Article IV, hereof.
- (b) Notwithstanding any other provision of these Articles, this corporation shall not, except to an insubstantial degree, engage in any activities or exercise any power that are not in furtherance of the purposes of this corporation.

#### **ARTICLE VII**

#### **DISTRIBUTION OF ASSETS**

Upon dissolution of the corporation, the Board of Directors shall, after paying or making the provisions for the payment of all the liabilities of the corporation, dispose of all of the assets of the corporation exclusively for the purpose of the corporation in such manner to the Republican Club of Pinellas County or the Republican Party of Florida or any entity that is an exempt organization tax-exempt under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 (or the corresponding provisions of any future United States Internal Law), as the Board of Directors shall determine. Any such assets not so disposed of shall be disposed of by a court of competent jurisdiction in the county in which the principal office of the corporation is then located, exclusively for such purposes or to such organization or organizations as such court shall determine, which are organized and operated exclusively for such purposes.

#### **ARTICLE VIII**

#### **MEMBERSHIP**

Membership in the corporation shall be by appointment of the Board of Directors, with qualification for such membership and the manner of admission being established by the by-laws of this corporation. The Board may approve other classes of membership, by appropriate amendment to the by-laws of the corporation, to further the purposes for which the corporation was formed.

#### ARTICLE IX

#### **INCORPORATOR**

The name and resident address of the incorporator of this corporation is as follows:

#### **NAME**

#### <u>ADDRESS</u>

J. Casey. Cox

2840 La Concha Drive Clearwater, Florida. 33762

#### ARTICLE X

#### DEDICATION OF ASSETS

The property of this corporation is irrevocably dedicated to educational purposes, and no part

of the net income or assets of this corporation shall ever inure to the benefit of any director. trustee, officer or member thereof, or to the benefit of any private individual.

#### **ARTICLE XI**

#### REGISTERED AGENT AND OFFICE

The name and address of the registered agent is Paul J. Marino, Esquire whose address is 2215 Donato Drive, Belleair Beach, Florida 33786.

#### **ARTICLE XII**

#### PRINCIPAL OFFICE AND MAILING ADDRESS

The Initial Principal Office of the Corporation shall be located at 2840 La Concha Drive, Clearwater, Florida 33762 until otherwise changed by the Board of Directors/Commissioners, and the mailing address shall be: P.O. Box 1594 – Largo, Florida 33779

#### **ARTICLE XIII**

#### AMENDMENTS OF ARTICLES

Amendments of these Articles of Incorporation may be proposed by a resolution adopted by the Board of Director, and a vote of a majority of the membership present at a meeting of the corporation.

I, THE UNDERSIGNED, being the subscriber and incorporator of the corporation, for the purpose of forming this non-profit corporation under the laws of the State of Florida, having executed these Articles of Incorporation. this 16-day of November 2011.

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Antoinette I. Wolff

J. Casey Cox

#### REGISTERED AGENT'S ACCEPTANCE

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

Paul J. Marino, Registered Agent

#### STATE OF FLORIDA COUNTY OF PINELLAS

BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, this day, personally appeared

J. Casey Cox and known to be the person who executed the foregoing Articles of Incorporation and he acknowledged to and before me that they executed such instrument as his voluntary and free act.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and seal, this 16 day of 2011.

Notary Public of the State of Florida at Large

My Commission Expires:



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#### STATE OF FLORIDA COUNTY OF PINELLAS

**BEFORE ME**, the undersigned authority, this day, personally appeared Paul J. Marino and known to be the person who executed the foregoing Articles of Incorporation as the Registered Agent and he acknowledged to and before me that they executed such instrument as his voluntary and free act.

Notary Public of the State of Florida at Large

My Commission Expires:

