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JUDY PINETTE P.O. BOX 13290 PENSACOLA, FL 32591-3290

SUBJECT: COMMUNITY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION OF

PENSACOLA AND ESCAMBIA COUNTY, INC.

Ref. Number: W14000058903

We have received your document for COMMUNITY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION OF PENSACOLA AND ESCAMBIA COUNTY, INC. and your check(s) totaling \$70.00. However, the enclosed document has not been filed and is being returned for the following correction(s):

Entities may file using only the entity's name. Please delete any reference to the "doing business as name" in your document. If you wish to register your fictitious name, you may do so by filing an application and submitting the appropriate fees to this office.

The corporation name needs to be the same throughout document.,

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) 245-6052.

Tyrone Scott
Regulatory Specialist II
New Filings Section

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COVER LETTER

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SUBJECT: Commu	unity Economic Development As	sociation of Pensacola and	d Escambia County, Inc.
	(PROPOSED CORPORA	TE NAME – <u>MUST INCL</u>	UDE SUFFIX)
Enclosed are an orig	inal and one (1) copy of the art	icles of incorporation and	d a check for:
■ \$70.00 Filing Fee	□ \$78.75 Filing Fee & Certificate of Status	\$78.75 Filing Fee & Certified Copy	\$87.50 Filing Fee, Certified Copy & Certificate of Status
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	E-mail address: (to be use	d for future annual report	notification)

NOTE: Please provide the original and one copy of the articles.

ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF

Community Economic Development Association of Pensacola and Escambia County, Inc. A Florida Not-For-Profit Corporation

ARTICLE I Name

The name of the corporation is Community Economic Development Association of Pensacola and Escambia County, Inc.

ARTICLE II Principal Office

The principal address of the corporation is 117 W. Garden Street, Pensacola, Florida 32502.

ARTICLE III Purpose and Organization

The purpose of the corporation is to promote industry and commerce, enhance the business climate and stimulate economic prosperity, support workforce development, promote community development, and encourage political action. The corporation will strive to accomplish the greatest good for the greatest number of people in Pensacola, Escambia County, and Northwest Florida. The corporation shall observe all local, state and federal laws that apply to non-profit organizations as defined in Section 501(c)(6) of the Internal Revenue Code. The duration of the corporation is perpetual unless dissolved according to law.

The corporation is not organized for the pecuniary gain or profit of, and neither the net earnings nor any part of the net earnings is distributable to, its members, directors, officers, or other private persons except as specifically permitted under the provisions of the Florida Not for Profit Corporation Act.

It is intended that the corporation have the status of a corporation that is exempt from federal income taxation under Section 501(a) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code") and an organization described in Section 501(c)(6) of the Code. These Articles must be construed accordingly, and all powers and activities of the corporation are limited accordingly.

ARTICLE IV Admission of Members

The authorized number, qualifications, and manner of admission of members of the corporation, as well as the property, voting, and other rights and privileges of members, the liability of members for dues or assessments and the method of collection, and the termination and transfer of membership will be set forth in the Bylaws of the corporation.

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ARTICLE V Board of Directors

The initial Directors and Officers of the corporation are as follows:

Directors and Titles

John L. Hutchinson, President One Energy Place Pensacola, FL 32520

Lewis Bear, Vice President 6120 Enterprise Dr. Pensacola, FL 32505

Jerry Maygarden, Secretary 117 W. Garden St. Pensacola, FL 32502

Jimmy L. Waite, Treasurer 449 W. Main St. Pensacola, FL 32502

The powers of the corporation will be exercised, its properties controlled, and its affairs conducted by a Board of no fewer than seven (7) or more than twenty-one (21) Directors, with four (4) initial Directors who must appoint a minimum of three (3) additional Directors as persons or entities qualify for membership as defined in the Bylaws. The number of Directors provided for in these Articles of Incorporation may be changed by a Bylaw adopted by the Board of Directors; provided, however, that the minimum number of Directors must be no fewer than seven (7) unless amended pursuant to Article VIII of these Articles of Incorporation. The Board of Directors must reflect the socio-demographic composition of Escambia County.

ARTICLE VI Registered Agent

The name Florida street address of the registered agent is:

Scott Luth 117 W. Garden St. Pensacola, FL 32502

ARTICLE VII Incorporator

The name and address of the Incorporator is:

Scott Luth 117 W. Garden St. Pensacola, FL 32502

ARTICLE VIII Amendment

Amendments to these Articles of Incorporation may be proposed by a Resolution adopted by the Board of Directors and presented to a quorum of the voting Members for their vote. Amendments may be adopted by a vote of at least a majority of a quorum of the Members of the corporation.

ARTICLE IX Distribution on Dissolution

Upon the dissolution of the corporation, the Board of Directors shall, after paying or making provision for the payment of all liabilities of the corporation, dispose of all assets of the corporation exclusively for the authorized purpose of the corporation as the Board of Directors determines, and any such assets not so distributed must be distributed exclusively for such purpose by the Circuit Court of the county in which the principal office of the corporation is located. None of the assets can be diverted to any other purpose.

ARTICLE X Non-Stock Basis

The corporation is formed on a non-stock basis and will not issue shares of stock.

ARTICLE XI Indemnification

The corporation shall indemnify each Director and Officer to the fullest extent allowed by law.

ACCEPTANCE OF REGISTERED AGENT

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.

9-23-14 Date

Scott Luth

I submit this document and affirm that the facts stated in it 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 §817.155, Florida Statutes.

Date

Scott/Luth

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