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SUBJECT: FLORIDA HEARTLAND ECONOMIC REGION OF OPPORTUNITY, INC.
(PROPOSED CORPORATE NAME - MUST INCLUDE SUFFIX)

Enclosed is an original and one (1) copy of the Articles of Incorporation and a check for :

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☐ \$78.75
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☒ \$87.50
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ADDITIONAL COPY REQUIRED

FROM: Terry Burroughs
Name (Printed or typed)

304 NW 2nd ST Room 123
Address

OKeechobee, Florida 34972
City, State & Zip

863-783-6441
Daytime Telephone number

Terry@OkeechobeeBusiness.com
E-mail address: (to be used for future annual report notification)

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



FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF STATE
Division of Corporations

March 24, 2016

TERRY BURROUGHS
304 NW 2ND ST., ROOM 123
OKEECHOBEE, FL 34972

SUBJECT: FLORIDA HEARTLAND ECONOMIC REGION OF OPPORTUNITY,
INC. (FHERO)
Ref. Number: W16000022017

We have received your document for FLORIDA HEARTLAND ECONOMIC REGION OF OPPORTUNITY, INC. (FHERO) and your check(s) totaling \$87.50. However, the enclosed document has not been filed and is being returned for the following correction(s):

The name of the entity must be identical throughout the document.

Corporations may file using on the corporate name. Please remove the acronym (FHERO) wherever it appears in your document.

We can not accept both Pre-printed forms and your created version of the Articles. Please complete and submit one (1) set of articles including the signatures for processing.

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.

Maryanne Dickey
Regulatory Specialist II
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FLORIDA HEARTLAND ECONOMIC REGION OF OPPORTUNITY, INC.

(A Florida Corporation, Not-For-Profit)

ARTICLE I

Name and Location of Principal Office

The name of this Corporation is Florida Heartland Economic Region of Opportunity, Inc. a Florida Corporation, Not-For-Profit. Its principal office of business shall be at 304 NW 2nd St, Okeechobee, Florida, 34972.

ARTICLE II

General Purposes

This Corporation is formed for the purpose of (a) advancing the general welfare and economic prosperity of the counties within the Florida Heartland area. and the surrounding areas so that its citizens and the business community may prosper; and (b) engaging in all other activities permitted under Section 501(c)(6) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue law.

ARTICLE III

Dedicated and Distribution of Assets

No part of the net earnings of this Corporation shall inure to the benefit of any member, director, or officer of the Corporation or any private individual and no director or officer of the Corporation or any private individual shall be entitled to share in the distribution of any of the corporate assets upon

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dissolution of the Corporation.

In the event of dissolution, the residual assets of this Corporation will be disposed of by the Board of Directors after the claims of creditors have been satisfied and if such corporation shall no longer exist, to one or more organizations which themselves are exempt as organizations described in Section 501(c)(6) and 170(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, or corresponding sections of any future United States Internal Revenue law, or to the Federal, State, or local government for exclusive public purpose.

ARTICLE IV

Management of Corporate Affairs

Board of Directors.

The powers of this Corporation shall be exercised, its properties controlled, and its affairs conducted by a Board of Directors. The number of directors of the Corporation may be increased or diminished from time to time by the bylaws, but shall never be less than three (3). Directors shall serve a terms as outlined within the bylaws, and will be elected at the annual meeting of members in the manner provided by the bylaws.

ARTICLE V

Membership

The members of the Corporation shall be divided into five (5) classes as listed below. Membership does not constitute a seat on the Board of Directors.

- A. Local Government Members
- B. Economic Development Organization Members
- C. Public Service Entity Members
- D. Private Sector Business Members
- E. General Membership Members

ARTICLE VI

Bylaws

The members of this Corporation may adopt such bylaws for the conduct of the business of the Corporation and the carrying out of its purposes as may be deemed necessary from time to time. Upon notice properly given, the bylaws may be amended, altered or rescinded by a majority vote of the members present, and members casting votes by email as specified in the bylaws, at any regular or special meeting of the membership at which a quorum is present. The qualifications for members and their voting authority shall be regulated by the bylaws.

ARTICLE VII

Amendments to Articles of Incorporation

Amendments to these Articles of Incorporation shall be proposed by the Board of Directors and, upon such proposal, shall be presented to the membership for adoption at the next Annual Meeting of the Corporation or at a special meeting called for that purpose, provided that for any meeting so

called, at least twenty days (20) notice in writing shall be given to such members, of the fact that an amendment to the Articles of Incorporation is to be considered and that a summary of any such amendments shall be stated in such notice. Any amendment to the Articles of Incorporation must be approved by a majority of the members present, and members casting votes by email, at a regular or special meeting of the membership at which a quorum is present in order for the amendment to be adopted.

ARTICLE VIII

Incorporator

The name and address of the incorporator is Terry W. Burroughs, 304 NW 2nd St, Room 123, Okeechobee, Florida, 34972.

ARTICLE IX

Registered Office and Agent

The name and address of the registered agent of this Corporation is Terry Burroughs, 304 NW 2nd St, Room 123, Okeechobee, Florida, 34972.

Executed by the undersigned at Okeechobee, Florida on this 4th day of April, 2016

Terry Burroughs

STATE OF FLORIDA

COUNTY OF OKEECHOBEE

The forgoing instrument was sworn to and subscribed before me this 4th day of April, 2016 by **Terry Burroughs** (✓) who is personally known to me or () who has produced _____ identification.

Tracy Rowland

Signature of NOTARY PUBLIC



Printed name of NOTARY PUBLIC

My commission expires:

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CONSENT OF REGISTERED AGENT TO ACCEPT SERVICE

I, TERRY BURROUGHS, hereby agree to be the registered agent for FLORIDA HEARTLAND ECONOMIC REGION OF OPPORTUNITY, INC., and further agree to accept any and all correspondence directed to said corporation and addressed to the registered office at 304 N.W. 2nd St, Okeechobee, Florida 34972.

Terry Burroughs

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