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February 3, 1995

Honorable Sandra B. Mortham  
Secretary of State  
Corporate Records Bureau  
Post Office Box 6327  
Tallahassee, Florida 32314

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Re: GILCHRIST COUNTY FFA ALUMNI ASSOCIATION, INC.

Dear Mrs. Mortham:

Enclosed please find the original and one copy of the Articles of Incorporation and the original and one copy of the Instrument Designating a Resident Agent for the above named corporation. Also enclosed is a check for payment of the following:

Filing Fee:	\$ 35.00
Certified Copy:	52.50
Designation of Resident Agent	<u>35.00</u>
TOTAL	\$122.50

Please return the certified copy of the Articles of Incorporation to this office when completed.

Thank you for your attention in this matter. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call my office.

Sincerely,

  
Sheree H. Lancaster

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Enclosures

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**ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF  
GILCHRIST COUNTY FFA ALUMNI ASSOCIATION, INC.**

The undersigned, acting as the incorporators for the purpose of forming a not for profit corporation, pursuant to Chapter 617 of the Florida Statutes, adopts the following Articles of Incorporation:

**Article I**

**NAME**

The name of the Corporation shall be GILCHRIST COUNTY FFA ALUMNI ASSOCIATION, INC.

**Article II**

**PRINCIPAL OFFICE AND MAILING ADDRESS**

The principal office of the Corporation is 109 East Wade Street, Trenton, Florida 32693. The current mailing address of the Corporation is Post Office Box 1000, Trenton, Florida 32693.

**Article III**

**PURPOSE**

The purposes for which the corporation is organized are as follows:

A. To receive and administer funds and to operate exclusively for religious, charitable, scientific, literary or educational purposes within the meaning of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, or comparable provisions of subsequent legislation (the "Code"). Among those purposes are advancement of the public interest in, and knowledge of, and understanding of agriculture; to establish, foster, and engage in agricultural and related activities through awards and scholarships for youth and young adults who have graduated from or are attending Gilchrist County Schools; and to prevent drug abuse by youth, and to promote education and prevention programs for drug abuse among youth in our community by providing alternative agricultural activities.

B. To acquire, own, purchase, lease, dispose of and deal with real and personal property and interests, either absolutely or in trust therein and to apply gifts, grants, bequests, and devises and the proceeds thereof in furtherance of the purposes of the corporation.

C. To do such things and to perform such acts to accomplish its purposes as the Board of Trustees may determine to be appropriate and as are not forbidden by Section 501(c)(3) of the Code, with all the power conferred on nonprofit corporations under the laws of the State of Florida.

#### Article IV

##### TERM

Corporate existence shall commence upon filing these Articles of Incorporation with the Secretary of State and the term of the Corporation shall be perpetual.

#### Article V

##### POWERS

The Corporation shall have all of the common law and statutory powers of a corporation not for profit pursuant to the laws of the State of Florida that are not in conflict with the terms of these Articles; provided, however, that notwithstanding any other provision of these Articles, the Corporation shall not carry on any activities not permitted to be carried on by an organization exempt from federal income tax pursuant to Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law.

#### Article VI

##### LIMITATIONS

The corporation shall be operated exclusively for charitable, educational and scientific purposes as a nonprofit corporation. No individual trustee or member of the corporation shall have any title to or interest in the corporate property or earnings in his or her individual or private capacity and no part of the net earnings of the corporation shall inure to the benefit of any director, trustee, officer, member or any private shareholder or individual. No substantial part of the activities of the corporation shall consist of carrying on propaganda or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, nor shall the corporation participate in or intervene in any political campaign on behalf of (or in opposition to) any candidate for public office.

#### Article VII

##### MEMBERS

The Corporation shall have a membership distinct from the Board of Trustees. Any person paying dues as provided for in the Bylaws and agreeing to be bound by the Articles of Incorporation of this Corporation, by its Bylaws, and by such rules and regulations as the Trustees may from time to time adopt, is eligible for membership in the Corporation. Qualification for membership in the Corporation, the manner of members' admission, membership, voting rights, and termination shall be provided for in the Bylaws of the Corporation.

#### Article VIII

##### TRUSTEES

(a) Powers. All corporate powers shall be exercised by or under the authority of, and the affairs of the Corporation shall be managed under the direction of, the Board of Trustees.

(b) Number. The number of trustees shall be determined from time to time in accordance with the Bylaws, but shall never be less than three trustees.

(c) Election; removal. Trustees shall be elected or removed in accordance with the procedure provided in the Bylaws.

(d) Initial trustees. The names and addresses of the initial trustees to hold office until the first annual meeting of members and until their successors shall have been elected and qualified are as follows:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>
Herbert E. Brown, Jr.	P.O. Box 307, Trenton, FL 32693
Randy D. Durden	P.O. Box 251, Bell, FL 32619
Grady H. Jones, Sr.	Rt 1, Box 80, Bell, FL 32619
Thomas L. Andrews	Rt 1, Box 394, Bell, FL 31619
William M. Martin	Rt 1, Box 332-25, Bell, FL 31619
Michelle Walker Crawford	P.O. Box 35, Trenton, FL 32693
Gerald N. Roberts	Rt 1, Box 360, Bell, FL 32619

#### Article IX

##### INDEMNIFICATION AND CIVIL LIABILITY IMMUNITY

The Corporation shall indemnify each Trustee and Officer, including former Trustees and Officers, to the fullest extent allowed by law, including but not limited to Florida Statutes Chapter 617. It is intended that the Corporation be an organization the Officers and Trustees of which are immune from civil liability to the extent provided under Florida Statutes Chapter 617 and other similar laws.

#### Article X

##### REGISTERED AGENT AND OFFICE

The name of the initial registered agent of the Corporation and the street address of the initial registered office of the Corporation are as follows:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>
Sheree H. Lancaster	109 East Wade Street Trenton, Florida 32693

#### Article XI

##### INCORPORATORS

The name and street address of the person(s) signing these Articles are as follows:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>
Herbert E. Brown, Jr.	P.O. Box 307, Trenton, FL 32693
Randy D. Durden	P.O. Box 251, Bell, FL 32619
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Gerald N. Roberts	Rt 1, Box 360, Bell, FL 32619

Article XII

BYLAWS

The Bylaws of the Corporation are to be made and adopted by the Board of Trustees and may be altered, amended or rescinded by the Board of Trustees.

Article XIII

AMENDMENT

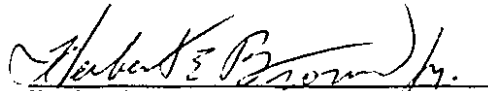
The Corporation reserves the right to amend or repeal any provision contained in these Articles of Incorporation or any amendment to them, and all rights and privileges conferred upon the Members, Trustees and Officers are subject to this reservation. The Articles of Incorporation may be amended in accordance with the provisions of the laws of the State of Florida, as amended from time to time, unless more specific provisions for amendments are adopted by the Corporation pursuant to law.

Article XIV

DISSOLUTION

In the event of dissolution, the residual assets of the Corporation shall be turned over to one or more organizations which themselves are exempted from federal income tax as organizations described in Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended or the corresponding provisions of any future United States Internal Revenue Law, or to the federal, state, or local government for exclusively public purposes.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned have executed these Articles of Incorporation this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of February, 1995.

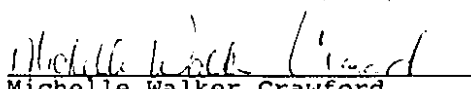
  
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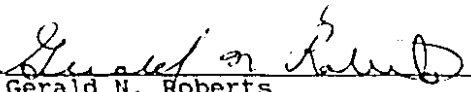
  
Randy D. Durden

  
Grady H. Jones, Sr.

  
Thomas L. Andrews

  
William M. Martin

  
Michelle Walker Crawford

  
Gerald N. Roberts

STATE OF FLORIDA  
COUNTY OF GILCHRIST

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this 3rd day of February, 1995, by Herbert E. Brown, Jr., who ☒ is personally known to me or ☐ has produced identification, and who did not take an oath.

Identification Produced:

Sylvia H. SACHE  
NOTARY PUBLIC  
Typed Name: SYLVIA H. SACHE  
Commission No.: CC 115305  
Commission Expires:

Notary Public, State At Large, State Of Florida  
My Commission Expires June 24, 1995

STATE OF FLORIDA  
COUNTY OF GILCHRIST

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this 3rd day of February, 1995, by Randy D. Durden, who ☒ is personally known to me or ☐ has produced identification, and who did not take an oath.

Identification Produced:

Sylvia H. SACHE  
NOTARY PUBLIC  
Typed Name: SYLVIA H. SACHE  
Commission No.: CC 115305  
Commission Expires:

Notary Public, State At Large, State Of Florida  
My Commission Expires June 24, 1995

STATE OF FLORIDA  
COUNTY OF GILCHRIST

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this 3rd day of February, 1995, by Grady H. Jones, Sr., who ☒ is personally known to me or ☐ has produced identification, and who did not take an oath.

Identification Produced:

Sherree H. Lancaster  
NOTARY PUBLIC  
Typed Name: SHEREE H. LANCASTER  
Commission No.: MY COMMISSION EXP. OCTOBER 22, 1998  
Commission Expires: NO. CC405205

STATE OF FLORIDA  
COUNTY OF GILCHRIST

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this 3rd day of February, 1995, by Thomas L. Andrews, who ☒ is personally known to me or ☐ has produced identification, and who did not take an oath.

Identification Produced:

Sherree H. Lancaster  
NOTARY PUBLIC  
Typed Name: SHEREE H. LANCASTER  
Commission No.: NOTARY PUBLIC, STATE OF FLORIDA  
Commission Expires: MY COMMISSION EXP. OCTOBER 22, 1998  
NO. CC405205

STATE OF FLORIDA  
COUNTY OF GILCHRIST

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this 3rd  
day of February, 1995, by William M. Martin, who ☐ is personally  
known to me or ☒ has produced identification, and who did not take  
an oath.

Identification Produced:

FLA DRIVER'S LICENSE

Sylvia H. SACHE  
NOTARY PUBLIC  
Typed Name: SYLVIA H. SACHE  
Commission No.: CC 115305  
Commission Expires:

STATE OF FLORIDA  
COUNTY OF GILCHRIST

Notary Public, State At Large, State Of Florida  
My Commission Expires June 24, 1995

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this 3rd  
day of February, 1995, by Michelle Walker Crawford, who ☒ is  
personally known to me or ☐ has produced identification, and who  
did not take an oath.

Identification Produced:

Sylvia H. SACHE  
NOTARY PUBLIC  
Typed Name: SYLVIA H. SACHE  
Commission No.: CC 115305  
Commission Expires:

Notary Public, State At Large, State Of Florida  
My Commission Expires June 24, 1995

STATE OF FLORIDA  
COUNTY OF GILCHRIST

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this 3rd  
day of February, 1995, by Gerald N. Roberts, who ☒ is personally  
known to me or ☐ has produced identification, and who did not take  
an oath.

Identification Produced:

Sylvia H. SACHE  
NOTARY PUBLIC SYLVIA H. SACHE  
Typed Name:  
Commission No.: CC 115305  
Commission Expires:

Notary Public, State At Large, State Of Florida  
My Commission Expires June 24, 1995

CERTIFICATE DESIGNATING PLACE OF BUSINESS OR DOMICILE  
FOR THE SERVICE OF PROCESS WITHIN THIS STATE, NAMING  
AGENT UPON WHOM PROCESS MAY BE SERVED

In pursuance to Chapter 48.091, Florida Statutes, the following is submitted in compliance with said act:

First that GILCHRIST COUNTY FFA ALUMNI ASSOCIATION, INC., desiring to be organized under the laws of the State of Florida, with its principal office as indicated in the Articles of Incorporation, County of Gilchrist, State of Florida, has named Sheree H. Lancaster located at 109 East Wade Street, Trenton, Florida 32693, County of Gilchrist, State of Florida, as its agent to accept service of process within this state.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Having been named to accept service of process for the above stated corporation, at the place designated in this Certificate, I hereby accept to act in this capacity, and agree to comply with the provision of said Act relative to keeping open said office.

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Sheree H. Lancaster  
Registered Agent

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