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431 Gerona Avenue

Coral Gables, FL 33146

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NAME: THE FLORIDA CARIBBEAN CHAPTER
OF AMERICAN BAMBOO SOCIETY,
INC.

EFFECTIVE DATE:

XX ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION
 CERTIFICATE OF LIMITED PARTNERSHIP

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OF

THE FLORIDA CARIBBEAN CHAPTER OF AMERICAN BAMBOO SOCIETY, INC.
A NONPROFIT CORPORATION

We, the undersigned, with other persons being desirous of forming a nonprofit corporation, under the provisions of Chapter 617 of the Florida Statutes, do agree to the following:

ARTICLE I.

The name of the corporation shall be:

THE FLORIDA CARIBBEAN CHAPTER OF AMERICAN BAMBOO SOCIETY, INC.
The address of the principal office of this corporation shall be Post Office Box 23686, Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33307, and the mailing address of the corporation shall be the same.

ARTICLE II.

The general purpose of the business or businesses to be transacted by this corporation, together with and in addition to the authority and powers conferred by the laws of the State of Florida is to promote knowledge of and interest in plants comprising of the Tribe Bambusaceae, Family Poaceae (syn. Gramineae); to present educational programs about bamboo, including meetings, classes, and publications; to

encourage the growth and propagation of bamboo by botanical gardens; to aid in the importation of and quarantine of bamboo according to the USDA guidelines; to provide support facilities where records, books, publications, and other pertinent information will be made accessible to the Chapter's members and to the general public; to engage in and encourage such projects and research as may further the best interest of the community and the objectives of the Chapter; to cooperate with other organizations, foundations, and institutions in the furtherance of its objectives and interest in the knowledge of bamboo.

ARTICLE III

The manner in which the directors are to be elected or appointed is as stated in the by-laws.

ARTICLE IV

The name and address of the incorporator of these Articles is John W. Kearns, 431 Gerona Avenue, Coral Gables, Florida 33146.

ARTICLE V

This corporation is to exist perpetually.

ARTICLE VI

All corporate powers shall be exercised by or under the authority of, and the business and affairs of the corporation managed under the direction of its Board of Directors, subject to any limitation set forth in these Articles of Incorporation. This corporation shall have seven directors, initially. The name and street addresses of the initial members of the Board of Directors are:

Mel Capron Dir.	48 Northeast 28 Court Wilton Manors, Florida 33334
Peter Dodge Dir.	2700 Southwest 5th Avenue Miami, Florida 33129
Jesse Durko Dir.	5151 Southwest 70 Avenue Davie, Florida 33314
Elizabeth Ann Haverfield Dir.	755 Tiziano Avenue Coral Gables, Florida 33143
Mike Kellum Dir.	15831 Southwest 54 Place Davie, Florida 33331
Alex Kessler Dir.	8743 Southwest 50 Place Cooper City, Florida 33328
Paul Smith Dir.	2020 Southwest 12 Avenue Miami, Florida 33129

ARTICLE VII. OFFICERS

The name and addresses of the initial officers of the corporation who shall hold office for the first year of the corporation, or until their successors are elected or appointed are:

Peter Dodge Sec.	2700 Southwest 5th Avenue Miami, Florida 33129
Elizabeth Ann Haverfield V.Pres.	755 Tiziano Avenue Coral Gables, Florida 33143
Mike Kellum Pres.	15831 Southwest 54 Place Davie, Florida 33331
Alex Kessler Treas.	8743 Southwest 50 Place Cooper City, Florida 33328

ARTICLE VIII

The street address of the initial registered office of the corporation shall be 431 Gerona Avenue, Coral Gables, Florida 33146, and the name of the initial registered agent of the corporation at that address is John W. Kearns.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned, being the incorporator
for the purpose of forming a Corporation pursuant to the
Florida Not For Profit Corporation Act, Chapter 617, Florida
Statutes, as amended, has signed these articles of Incorporation
on this 18th day of September 1996.

By: 

John W. Kearns, Incorporator

ACCEPTANCE OF REGISTERED AGENT DESIGNATED
IN ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

John W. Kearns, an individual residing in the state of
Florida having a business office identical with the registered
office of the corporation named above, and having been designated
as the Registered Agent in the above and foregoing Articles, is
familiar with and accepts the obligations of the position of
Registered Agent under Section 607.0605, Florida Statutes.

By: 

John W. Kearns, Registered Agent

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