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November 25, 1996

Division of Corporations Post Office Box 6327 Tallahassee, Florida 32314 900002018499--1 -12/03/96--01145--001 ****122,50 ****122.50

Dear Sir/Madam:

Enclosed please find two original executed Articles of Incorporation for Alternative Public Educational Studies, Inc., a not-for-profit corporation organized under Chapter 617, Florida Statutes. The Articles of Incorporation are hereby submitted for your review and approval, and to be filed with the Department. Also enclosed is a check in the amount of \$122.50 made payable to the Division of Corporations to satisfy the filing fees for the Articles of Incorporation (\$35), the designation of the Registered Agent (\$35), and for the return of a certified copy of the Articles of Incorporation (\$52.50) to be sent to the corporate address, 3103 1st Street West, St. Petersburg Beach, Florida, 33706.

Thank you for your assistance in this regard and please do not hesitate to contact me should you require any additional information.

Sincerely,

Steven E. Hovsepian, Esquire

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ALTERNATIVE PUBLIC EDUCATIONAL STUDIES, INC. A FLORIDA NONPROFIT CORPORATION

ARTICLE 1 Name.

The name of the Corporation is Alternative Public Educational Studies, Inc.

Duration.

ARTICLE 2 Duration.

ARTICLE 3 Purposes.

The purposes of the Corporation are as follows:

A. This Corporation is a not-for-profit Corporation organized under Chapter 617, Florida Statutes. It is not organized for the private gain of any person. The Corporation is being organized and will operate exclusively as an educational organization, with the specific purpose of increasing public awareness on environmental issues. The Corporation will educate the public by researching and reporting environmental issues facing their communities as well as environmental issues nationwide. The Corporation will conduct activities in furtherance of these purposes including, but not limited to; educational seminars and lectures, documen any footage, public discussion groups, newsletters and video series, providing access to a multi-media of environmental research libraries, and other similar activities in furtherance of the purposes of the Corporation.

B. To exercise all eights and powers conferred by the laws of the State of Florida upon nonprofit corporations.

C. Provided, however, that the Corporation shall not engage in any action which is not permitted to be carried on by nonprofit corporations under the Internal Revenue Code Section 501(c)(3), or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code, and no part of the net earnings of the Corporation shall inure to the benefit of or be distributed to its members, directors, or officers; but the Corporation shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation to these people for services rendered, and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of its stated purposes. The Corporation will not, as a substantial part of its activities, attempt to influence legislation or participate to any extent in a political campaign for or against any candidate for public office.

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ARTICLE 4 Members.

The Corporation shall have Voting Members, who shall be elected (and may be removed) by the Voting Members, and who shall have all the rights and privileges of members of the Corporation. The Bylaws of the Corporation may provide for Nonvoting Members of one or more classes, who shall be admitted in such manner and who shall have such rights and privileges as are set forth in the Bylaws, but who shall not have the right to vote. The name and address of each initial Voting Member is as follows:

	Name .	<u>Address</u>		
t.	Eric J. LeBlanc	3103 1st Stre West, St. Petersburg Beach, Florido, 33706		
2.	Amy L. Randolph	3103 1st Street West, St. Petersburg Beach, Florida, 33706		
3.	Russell S. Greene	2913 Ramada Drive, Apt. 343, Tampa, Florida, 33613		

ARTICLE 5 Initial Registered Agent and Office.

The initial registered agent of the Corporation is Eric J. LeBlane and the initial registered office is 3103 1st Street West, St. Petersburg Beach, Florida, 33706.

ARTICLE 6 Initial Board of Directors.

The Bylaws of the Corporation shall provide the method of election of all Directors, and the number of Directors may be raised or lowered by amendment of the Bylaws but shall in no case be less than three. The initial Board of Directors shall have three (3) members, whose names and addresses are:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>
 Eric J. LeBlanc 	3103 1st Street West, St. Petersburg Beach, Florida, 33706
Amy L. Randolph	3103 1st Street West, St. Petersburg Beach, Florida, 33706
3. Russell S. Greene	2913 Ramada Drive, Apt. 343, Tampa, Florida, 33613

ARTICLE 7 Officers.

The officers of the Corporation shall consist of an Executive Director and a Secretary. Other officers may be provided for in the Bylaws of the Corporation. Each Officer shall be elected by the Board of Directors (and may be removed by the Board of Directors) at such time and in such manner as may be prescribed by the Bylaws of the Corporation. The name and address of each initial Officer of the Corporation is as follows:

<u>Title</u>	Name .	<u>Address</u>
Executive Lirector	Eric J. LeBlanc	3103 1st Street West, St. Petersburg Beach,
		Florida, 33706
Secretary	Amy L. Randolph	3103 1st Street West, St. Petersburg Beach,
		Florida 33706

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ARTICLE 8 Incorporators.

The name and address of the incorporator of this Corporation in:

Name

Address

Steven E. Hovsepian

2424 West Tampa Bay Blvd., Apt. D-201,

Tampa, Florida, 33607

ARTICLE 9 Nonstock Basis,

The Corporation is organized (and shall be operated) on a nonstock basis within the meaning of the Florida Not For Profit Corporation Act, and shall not have the power to issue shares of any type or class of stock, but may issue membership certificates if so provided in the Bylaws of the Corporation.

ARTICLE 10 Corporate Address.

The street address of the Corporation's initial principal office is 3103 1st Street West, St. Petersburg Beach, Florida, 33706; and the Corporation's initial mailing address is the same address as the initial principal office.

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with less whereor, the undersigned have signed these Afficles of Incorporation
on this day of November 25, 1996. Steven E. Hovsepian, Incorporator Florida Bar # 0091359
I am familiar with, and accept, the obligations and designation as Registered Agent of the Corporation. Eric J. LeBlanc, Registered Agent
Acknowledged before me on <u>floyemble 25</u> , 1996, by <u>Staven E. Hovsepian</u> , who <u>is personally known to me / very produced</u>
FDL# H121-785-71-129-0 , as identification; and (Identification type)
by Eric. J. Le Blanc, who is personally known to me / produced FDL#L145-210-65-406-0, as identification; (Identification type)
who executed the foregoing Articles of Incorporation and acknowledged to and before me that they executed said instrument for the purposes therein expressed. A