ATTORNEYS AT LAW

3908 26TH STREET WEST • BRADENTON, FLORIDA 34205-3510 • 941/758-8888 • FAX 941/751-5556

MARC H. FELDMAN JOSEPH ROBACK

January 6, 1998

Division of Corporations Bureau of Corporate Records 409 East Gaines Street P. O. Box 6327 Tallahassee, Florida 32301

RE: MANATEE STRIKERS, INC., A Florida Nonprofit Corporation My File No. R9421

700002395367--5 -01/15/98--01079--013 *****35.00 ******35.00

700002395367--5

*****35.00 *****35.00

Ladies/Gentlemen:

Enclosed are the original Articles of Incorporation for the above company, along with a check in the amount of \$35.00 as your filing fee and the fee for designation of the registered agent.

Also enclosed is a photocopy of the Articles of Incorporation. Please stamp this copy with the filing information and return that copy to this office.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely yours,

Joseph Roback

JR:1c

Encl.

98 JAN 15 AM IN: 41

ran 15 ag

FELDMAN & ROBACK

ATTORNEYS AT LAW

3908 26TH STREET WEST • BRADENTON, FLORIDA 34205-3510 • 941/758-8888 • FAX 941/751-5556

MARC H. FELDMAN JOSEPH ROBACK

January 6, 1998

Division of Corporations Bureau of Corporate Records 409 East Gaines Street P. O. Box 6327 Tallahassee, Florida 32301

RE: MANATEE STRIKERS, INC.,

A Florida Nonprofit Corporation

My File No. R9421

Ladies/Gentlemen:

Enclosed are the original Articles of Incorporation for the above company, along with a check in the amount of \$35.00 as your filing fee and the fee for designation of the registered agent.

Also enclosed is a photocopy of the Articles of Incorporation. Please stamp this copy with the filing information and return that copy to this office.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely yours,

Joseph Roback

JR:lc

Encl.

TO: Michelle Milligan
Enclosed is our check for \$35.00 additional filing fee.
Thank you.
Linda

ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF

ON JAN 15 AM 11:41 MANATEE STRIKERS, INC., A FLORIDA NONPROFIT CORPORATION

the undersigned subscribers to these Articles Opf Incorporation, do hereby form a corporation not for profit wider the laws of the State of Florida as follows:

ARTICLE I NAME

The name of the corporation shall be MANATEE STRIKERS, INC., A FLORIDA NONPROFIT CORPORATION.

ARTICLE II STATEMENT OF CORPORATE NATURE

This is a nonprofit corporation organized solely for general charitable purposes pursuant to the Florida Corporation Not For Profit Corporation Act.

ARTICLE III DURATION

The term of existence of the corporation is perpetual and the corporate existence will commence on the filing of these Articles by the Department of State.

ARTICLE IV GENERAL AND SPECIFIC PURPOSES

- A. The general purposes for which this corporation is formed are to operate exclusively for such religious, charitable, scientific, literary, and educational purposes as are within the meaning of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 or corresponding provisions of any future United States Internal Revenue law.
- The specific purposes for which the corporation is organized is to perpetuate the goals and ideals of teamwork, fair play, earnest competition, good sportsmanship, and academic excellence among females between the ages of ten and eighteen, by promoting and playing softball and encouraging educational achievement among the members and their peers.
- Notwithstanding any other provision of these Articles, this organization shall not carry on any activities not permitted to be carried on by an organization exempt from federal income tax under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 or the corresponding provisions of any future United States Internal Revenue law.

- D. The property of this organization is irrevocably dedicated to educational, charitable, and sportsmanship purposes and no part of the net income or assets of this organization shall ever inure to the benefit of any director, officer, or member, or to the benefit of any private individual.
- E. This organization shall not, as a substantial part of its activities, carry on propaganda or otherwise attempt to influence legislation; nor shall it participate or intervene in any political campaign on behalf of any candidate for public office, by publication or distribution of any statements or otherwise; nor shall it conduct any self-dealing, accumulate any excess business assets, make any investments in such manner as to subject it to tax or make any taxable expenditures.

PRINCIPAL OFFICE AND ADDRESS

The address of the principal office of the corporation is 10317 Baltusrol Place, Bradenton, Florida 34202.

ARTICLE VI MEMBERSHIP

The qualification for members and the manner of their admission shall be regulated by the bylaws for this corporation.

ARTICLE VII LOCATION OF INITIAL REGISTERED OFFICE AND NAME OF INITIAL REGISTERED AGENT

The street address of the initial registered office of the corporation is 10317 Baltusrol Place, Bradenton, Florida 34202.

The name of the initial registered agent at such address is Katherine C. Cahill.

The above-named registered agent, by signing these Articles of Incorporation, hereby accepts the designation as Registered Agent and states that such Registered Agent is familiar with and accepts the duties and responsibilities as Registered Agent for the benefit of the above-named corporation.

ARTICLE VIII INITIAL DIRECTORS

There shall be three directors constituting the initial Board of Directors.

The manner in which the Directors are to be elected or appointed is as is stated in the Bylaws.

The name and address of each person who is to serve as an initial Director is:

<u>NAME</u>

ADDRESS

Gary Dean Hamilton

2815 61st Street East Palmetto, Florida 34221

Katherine C. Cahill

10317 Baltusrol Place Bradenton, Florida 34202

Donna Lynn O'Neal

-3113 6th Avenue West Palmetto, Florida 34221

ARTICLE IX INCORPORATORS

NAME

ADDRESS

Gary Dean Hamilton

2815 61st Street East Palmetto, Florida 34221

Katherine C. Cahill

10317 Baltusrol Place Bradenton, Florida 34202

Donna Lynn O'Neal

3113 6th Avenue West Palmetto, Florida 34221

ARTICLE X DISSOLUTION

Upon the dissolution of the corporation, its assets remaining after payment, or provision for payment, of all debts and liabilities of the corporation, shall be distributed to a not for profit fund, foundation, or corporation which is organized and operated exclusively for religious or charitable purposes and which has established its tax exempt status under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, or corresponding provisions of any subsequent federal tax laws. Any such assets not so disposed of shall be disposed of by the Circuit Court of Manatee County, or such other comparable court in the county in which the principal office of the corporation is then located, exclusively for such purposes or to such organization or organizations, as said court shall determine, which are organized and operated exclusively for such purposes.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned have subscribed our names 18th day of December, 1997. WITHESSES! Katherine C. Incorporator and Registered Agent Gary Deam Hamilton, Incorporator STATE OF FLORIDA COUNTY OF MANATEE The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me on the day of December, 1997, by Katherine C. Cahill, who is personally known to me or who has produced the following identification: Known To me and who did not take an oath. NOTARY PUBLIC Printed Name: My Comm. Expires: (seal MELIA L. FAVORITE MY COMMISSION # CC 505245 STATE OF FLORIDA EXPIRES: October 24, 1999 COUNTY OF MANATEE Bonded Thru Notary Public Lindenwillers The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me on the day of December, 1997, by Donne Lynn O'Neal, who is personally known to me or who has produced the following identification: , and who did not take an oath. NOTARY PUBLIC Printed Name: My Comm. Expires: (seal)

STATE OF FLORIDA COUNTY OF MANATEE

NOTARY PUBLIC

Printed Name: Mulial. Favorit

My Comm. Expires:

(seal)

9400.dec\9421art.inc

MELIA L. FAVORITE
MY COMMISSION # CC 505245
EXPIRES: October 24, 1999
Bonded Thru Notary Public Underwritera