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SUBJECT: Suncoast Sisters Softball League, Inc.

(Proposed corporate name - must include suffix)

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

X \$70.00 Filing Fee

\$78.75 Filing Fee & Certificate \$122.50 Filing Fee & Certified Copy

\$131.25 Filing Fee, Certified Copy & Certificate

Additional Copy Required

FROM:

Kathy A. Felch

Name (printed or typed)

10030 11th Street N. #203

Address

St. Petersburg, FL 33716

City, State & Zip

(813) 570-4125

Daytime Telephone number

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

ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION of SUNCOAST SISTERS SOFTBALL LEAGUE, INC.

FIRST: The name of this corporation is Suncoast Sisters Softball League, Inc.

SECOND: Its principal office in the State of Florida is to be located at 10030 11th Street North #203, in the City of St. Petersburg, County of Pinellas. The registered agent in charge thereof is Kathy Felch, and is located at the same address.

THIRD: The nature of the business and the objects and purposes proposed to be transacted, promoted and carried on are to do any and all the things herein mentioned, as fully and to the same extent as natural persons might or could do, and in any part of the world, vis:

This is a nonstock, nonprofit corporation. The purpose of the corporation is to engage in any lawful act or activity for which nonprofit corporations may be organized under the General Corporation Law of Florida.

Said corporation is organized exclusively for charitable, religous, educational, and scientific purposes, including, for such purposes, the making of distributions to organizations that qualify as exempt organizations under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 (or the corresponding provision of any future United states Internal Revenue Law), to wit:

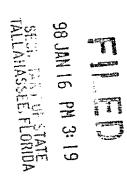
Promoting organized amateur softball for lesbian women. The corporation will foster national and international amateur softball through the North American Gay Amateur Atheletic Association and the Gay World Games.

FOURTH: The corporation shall not have any capital stock and the conditions of membership shall be stated in the Bylaws.

FIFTH: The name and mailing address of the incorporator is: Michele M. Barnes, 8314 Paddlewheel Street, Tampa, FL 33637

SIXTH: The powers of the incorporator are to terminate upon filing of the Articles of Incorporation, and the name(s) and mailing address(es) of the persons who are to serve as director(s) until their successors are elected are as follows:

Kathy Felch, Commissioner, 10030 11th Street North #203, St. Pete, FL 33716 Leesa Moore, Assistant Commissioner, 1805 W. Morrison Ave., Tampa, FL 33606 Karen Rainey, Treasurer, 2816 Pearl Avenue, Tampa, FL 33611 Beverly Williams, Secretary, 8314 Paddlewheel Street, Tampa, FL 33637 Susan Bruemmer, Publicity, 225 5th Ave. N.E. #24, St. Pete, FL 33701 Sherri Messer, Umpire-In-Chief, 7109 51st Place East, Bradenton, FL 34203 Melissa Wisner, Fundraising, 10030 11th Street N. #203, St. Pete, FL 33716 Elaine Fisher, Social Coordinator, 3350 W Hillsborough Ave., Tampa, FL 33614 Mary Scott, Competitive Coord., 7109 51st Place East, Bradenton, FL 34203 Michele Barnes, Recreational Coord., 8314 Paddlewheel St., Tampa, FL 33637



SEVENTH: The activities and affairs of the corporation shall be managed by a Board of Directors. The number of directors which shall constitute the whole Board shall be such as from time to time shall be fixed by or in the manner provided in, the Bylaws, but in no case shall the number be less than one. The directors need not be members of the corporation unless so required by the Bylaws or by Statute. The Board of Directors shall be elected by the members at the annual meeting of the corporation to be held on such date as the Bylaws may provide, and shall hold office until their successors are respectively elected and qualified. The Bylaws shall specify the number of directors necessary to constitute a quorum. The Board of Directors may, by resolution or resolutions passed by a majority of the whole Board, designate one or more committees which, to the extent provided in said resolution or resolutions or in the Bylaws of the corporation, shall have and may exercise all the powers of the Board of Directors in the management of the activities and affairs of the corporation. They may further have the power to authorize the seal of the corporation to be affixed to all papers which may require it; and such committee or committees shall have such name or names as may be stated in the Bylaws of the corporation or as may be determined from time to time by resolution adopted by the Board of Directors. The directors of the corporation may, if the Bylaws so provide, be classified as to term of office. The corporation may elect such officers as the Bylaws may specify, subject to the provisions of the Statute, who shall have titles and exercise such duties as the Bylaws may provide. The Board of Directors is expressly authorized to make, alter, or repeal the Bylaws of this corporation. This corporation may in its Bylaws confer powers upon its Board of Directors in addition to the foregoing, and in addition to the powers and authorities expressly conferred upon them by the Statute. This is true, provided that the Board of Directors shall not exercise any opwer of authority conferred herein or by Statute upon the members.

EIGHTH: Meetings of members may be held outside the State of Florida, if the Bylaws so provide. The books of the corporation may be kept (subject to any provisions contained in the Statutes) outside the State of Florida at such place or places as may be from time to time designated by the Board of Directors.

NINTH: No part of the net earnings of the corporation shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributed to, its members, directors, officers or other private persons, except that the corporation shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of the purposes set forth in Article Three hereof. No substantial part of the activities of the corporation shall consist of the carrying on of propaganda, or otherwise attempting to intervene in (inluding the publishing or distribution of statements) any of these articles. The corporation shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on (a) by a corporation exempt from Federal Income Tax under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 (or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Code of 1954 (or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Code of 1954 (or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law).

TENTH: The duration of this corporation shall be perpetual. Upon the dissolution of the corporation, The Board of Directors shall, after paying or making provisions for the payment of all of the liabilities of the corporation, dispose of all of the assets of the corporation exclusively for the purpose of the corporation in such manner, or to such organization or organizations and operated exclusively for charitable, educational, religous or scientific purposes as shall at the time qualify as an exempt organization under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 (or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law) as the Board of Directors shall determine. Any such assets not so disposed of shall be disposed of bt the Court of Common Pleas of the county in which the principal office of the corporation is then located.

exclusively for such purposes or to such organizations, said Court shall determine, which ar eorganized and operated exclusively for such designated purposes.

ELEVENTH: This corporation reserves the right to amend, alter, change or repeal any provision contained in this Articles of Incorporation, in the manner now or hereafter prescribed by the Statute, and all rights conferred upon members herein are granted subject to their reservation.

TWELFTH: Directors of the corporation shall not be liable to either the corporation or its members for monetary damages for a breach of fiduciary duties unless the breach involves: (1) a director's duty of loyalty to the corporation; (2) acts or ommissions not in good faith or which involve intentional misconduct to a knowing violation of law; (3) a transaction from which a director derived an improper personal benefit.

I, THE UNDERSIGNED, being the incorporator hereinbefore named, for the purpose of forming a nonprofit corporation pursuant to Chapter 617 of the Florida Statutes, do make these Articles, hereby declaring and certifying that the facts herein stated are true, and accordingly have hereunto set my hand this 29th day of October A.D.

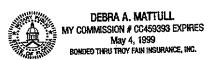
(Signature of Incorporator)

NOTARY'S AFFIDAVIT

State of Florida, County of Hillsborough,
THIS IS TO CERTIFY that on this date, Dec 18.1997, before me,
a Notary Public, personally appeared

Michele Barner

who I am satisfied is the person named as incorporator and executor of the foregoing Articles of Incorporation, and who by their respective signatures in my presence have acknowledged the same as their voluntary act. IN TESTIMONY THEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my official seal on the date given above



Debra Caskattull
Notary Public

My commissions expires: May 4, 199

CERTIFICATE OF DESIGNATION OF REGISTERED AGENT/REGISTERED OFFICE

PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 607.0501, FLORIDA STATUTES, THE UNDERSIGNED CORPORATION, ORGANIZED UNDER THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF FLORIDA, SUBMITS THE FOLLOWING STATEMENT IN DESIGNATING THE REGISTERED OFFICE/REGISTERED AGENT, IN THE STATE OF FLORIDA.

1. The name of the corporation is:		Suncoast Sisters Softball League, Inc.			
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2. The name and address of the registered agent and office is:				98 JAN	
	Kathy A. Felch			918	
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	(P.O. Box o	or Mail Drop Box NOT ACCEPTABLE)	중류	8	
	St. Petersburg, 1	FL 33716			
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Having been named as the registered agent and to accept service of the process for the above stated corporation at the place designated in this certificate. I hereby accept the appointment as registered agent and agree to act in this capacity. I further agree to comply with the provisions of all statutes relating to the proper and complete performance of my duties, and I am familiar with and accept the obligations of my position as registered agent.

(SIGNATURE) Jelch 12/15/97 (DATE)