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409 East Gaines Street
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Re:

Florida Italian American Caucus of Elected Officials, Inc.

Dear Sir or Madam:

Enclosed herewith please find an original and one (1) copy of the Articles of Incorporation in connection with the above-captioned matter along with a check in the amount of \$122.50 to be disbursed as follows:

Filing Fee Certified Copies

70.00

52.50

TOTAL

\$122.50

Also, enclosed please find a self-addressed envelope for return of the enclosed documents to our office.

Thank you for your prompt cooperation in connection with the foregoing. questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely.

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Mr. Joseph Scuotto

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## ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

OF

## FLORIDA ITALIAN AMERICAN CAUCUS OF ELECTED OFFICIALS, INC.

The undersigned, acting as incorporators of a Corporation pursuant to Chapter 617, Florida Statutes, adopt the following Articles of Incorporation of such Corporation:

## ARTICLE 1

## NAME OF CORPORATION

The name of this Corporation shall be FLORIDA ITALIAN AMERICAN CAUCUS OF ELECTED OFFICIALS, INC., a Florida not-for-profit corporation. The principal place of business of this Corporation shall be 11088 Northwest 23rd Court, Stopise Florida 33322.

## **ARTICLE 2**

## DURATION

This Corporation shall have perpetual existence.

### ARTICLE 3

#### PURPOSE OF CORPORATION

The general purposes for which the Corporation is organized are as follows:

- 1. To promote the works, accomplishments and contributions of Italian-American citizens to the State of Florida and the United States. To further promote appreciation for Italian culture and heritage, and its effect on life in Florida and in the United States.
- 2. To sponsor, supply and otherwise promote art and literature created by Italian artists and authors in schools, universities, libraries and other public forums throughout the State of Florida.
- 3. To fund, coordinate and provide scholarships to deserving student candidates, and to generally promote scholastic excellence and education.
- 4. To act consistent with all applicable statutes, ordinances, rules and regulations affecting the actions of the Corporation and to do all things otherwise permitted by law.

- 5. To do such other and further things as are incidental to the foregoing or necessary or desirable in order to accomplish the foregoing.
- 6. To carry out any business, occupation, undertaking, enterprise and exercising any power or authority which may be done by a private corporation organized and existing under and by virtue of Chapter 617, Florida Statutes, and as amended, it being the intention that this corporation may conduct and transact any business lawfully authorized and not prohibited by Chapter 617, Florida Statutes, and as amended.
- 7. To engage in any fund raising activities necessary to promulgate the purposes of the Corporation.

## **ARTICLE 4**

## **BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

The number constituting the charter members and initial Board of Directors of this Corporation is seven (7) and the names and addresses of the persons who are to serve initially are indicated below. The Corporation shall not have less than three (3) directors. The method of election for the directors and officers is provided for in the By-Laws of this Corporation.

Jack Brady 6808 Stardust North Lauderdale, FL 33068

Samuel J. Ferrerri 509 Landings Blvd. Greenacres, FL 33413

Michael Natale 8001 S.W. 7th Pl. North Lauderdale, FL 33068

Frank Ortis 11621 N.W. 23rd Street Pembroke Pines, FL 33026 Joseph A. Scuotto 11088 N.W. 23 Ct. Sunrise, FL 33322

Amadeo Trinchitella 155 Richmond F Deerfield Beach, FL 33442

Joseph Varsallone 6272 N.W. 15th Court Margate, FL 33063

## **ARTICLE 5**

## PECUNIARY GAIN PROHIBITION

This Corporation shall not, incidentally or otherwise, afford or pay any pecuniary gain, dividends, or other pecuniary remuneration to its members as such, and no part of the net income or net earnings of this Corporation shall, directly or indirectly, be distributable to or otherwise inure to the benefit of any member or individual. This Corporation shall not lend any of its assets to any officer, director, or member of this Corporation or guarantee to any person the payment of a loan by any officer, director or member of this Corporation.

## ARTICLE 6

## LIMITED LIABILITY

The officers, directors and members of this Corporation shall not be personally liable to any extent whatsoever for any debts or obligations of this Corporation, to the extent permitted by law.

## **ARTICLE 7**

## INDEMNIFICATION OF DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS

This Corporation shall indemnify any Director or Officer who by virtue of his or her being a Director or Officer of this Corporation, is made a party to any action or proceeding, except when such Director or Officer is adjudicated guilty of malfeasance in the discharge of his or her duties to this Corporation. Indemnification shall be for all reasonable expenses incurred as a result of such action or proceeding.

#### **ARTICLE 8**

## CAPITAL STOCK

This Corporation is organized under a Non-stock Basis.

### <u>ARTICLE</u> 9

#### DISSOLUTION

Upon the dissolution of the organization, assets shall be distributed for one or more exempt purposes within the meaning of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code, or shall be distributed to the federal government, or to a state or local government, for a public purpose. Any such assets not

disposed of shall be disposed of by the Court of Common Pleas of the county in which the principal office of the organization 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.

## **ARTICLE 10**

The names and addresses of the incorporator are as follows:

Samuel S. Goren, Esquire Josias, Goren, Cherof, Doody & Ezrol, P.A. 3099 East Commercial Boulevard, Suite 200 Fort Lauderdale, FL 33308

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# CERTIFICATE OF DESIGNATION REGISTERED AGENT/REGISTERED OFFICE

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 617.0503, Florida Statutes, the undersigned Corporation, organized under the laws of the State of Florida, submits the following statement in designating the Registered Agent/Registered Office, in the State of Florida.

- 1. The name of the Corporation is: FLORIDA ITALIAN AMERICAN CAUCUS OF ELECTED OFFICIALS, INC.
- 2. The name and address of the Registered Agent and Office is: Samuel S. Goren, Esquire, 3099 E. Commercial Boulevard, Suite 200, Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33308.

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HAVING BEEN NAMED AS REGISTER PROCESS FOR THE ABOVE STATED COIN THIS CERTIFICATE, I HEREBY ACT AGENT AND AGREE TO ACT IN THIS COURT THE PROVISIONS OF ALL STATEMENT OF THE OBLIGATION OF MY POSESSIONS OF MY POSES	CORPORATION AT CEPT THE APPO CAPACITY. I FUI ATUTES RELATIN	I THE PLACE DESIGNATION INTERNATION AS REGISTATION OF THE PROPER AMERICAN TO THE PROPERTY OF T	NATED TERED DMPLY

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