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Re: Lake Letta Restoration Association, Inc.

Gentlemen:

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We are enclosing the original and one copy of the proposed Articles of Incorporation for Lake Letta Restoration Association, Inc. Please approve and file the original, file stamp the copy and return it to us along with the charter number.

Enclosed is their check for your charges as follows:

Filing fee for Articles of Incorporation

\$35.00

Filing Registered Agent's Certificate

35.00

Total

<u>\$ 70.00</u>

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If anything further is required, please let me know.

Sincerely yours,

J. Michael Swaine

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CC:

John Boutwell

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ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF

LAKE LETTA RESTORATION ASSOCIATION, INC. (A non-profit corporation)

The undersigned incorporator to these Articles of Incorporation, a natural person competent to contract, hereby form a non-profit corporation under the laws of the State of Florida.

ARTICLE I. NAME

The name of this corporation is:

LAKE LETTA RESTORATION ASSOCIATION, INC.

ARTICLE II. PURPOSES AND POWERS

The purposes and powers of the corporation are:

- (a) To educate its members and the public concerning improving the conditions and the quality of Lake Letta and the means for lawful removal of the undesirable plant growth therein.
- (b) To own, rent, lease, operate and maintain sufficient real and personal property to carry out the purposes hereinabove expressed.
- (c) To receive donations, gifts, or bequests of money or other property, and to accept the same, subject to such conditions or trusts as may be attached thereto, and to obligate itself to perform and execute, and to perform and execute any and all such conditions or trusts.
- (d) To contract debts and to borrow money, to issue, sell and pledge bonds, debentures, notes and other evidences of indebtedness.
- (e) To do everything necessary, proper, advisable, or convenient for the accomplishment of the purposes or powers set forth in this article, and to do all other things incidental thereto or connected therewith, which are not forbidden by law or these articles of incorporation.
- (f) The purposes or powers set forth in this article are not in limitation of the general powers conferred by the non-profit corporation law of the State of Florida.

ARTICLE III. MEMBERS

Membership shall be open to all persons interested in the work of the corporation and who have been approved by the Board of Directors and who have paid the established dues.

ARTICLE IV. TERM OF EXISTENCE

The corporation is to exist perpetually.

ARTICLE V. ADDRESS

The street address of the principal office of the corporation in the State of Florida is 2540 South Lake Letta Drive, Avon Park, Florida 33825. The Board of Directors may from time to time move the principal office to any other address in Florida, and may establish branch offices in such other place or places as may be designated by the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE VI. OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS

The affairs of the corporation are to be managed by a President, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer and such other officers as may be provided in the by-laws, who shall also serve as the Board of Directors and shall be elected at the annual meeting of the members on the first Saturday of June of each year. Officers and Directors who are to serve until the next election of Officers are:

OFFICE NAME

President Michael Byers

Vice-President Karl Engel

Secretary Judie Engel

John Boutwell Treasurer

ARTICLE VII. INCORPORATOR

The name and street address of the incorporator is:

ADDRESS NAME

2540 South Lake Letta Drive John Boutwell

ARTICLE VII. AMENDMENT OF ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION AND BY-LAWS

The corporation reserves the right to amend, alter, change or appeal any provision contained in these articles of incorporation in the manner now or hereafter prescribed by law. Each amendment submitted to the members for approval must be approved by majority of the members entitled to vote thereon.

ARTICLE IX. NON-PROFIT CHARACTER

This corporation is one which does not contemplate pecuniary gain or profit to the members, directors or officers. Upon dissolution of the corporation all corporate assets remaining after payment of all liabilities shall be distributed to charitable, religious, scientific, literary or educational organizations.

ARTICLE X. REGISTERED OFFICE AND REGISTERED AGENT

The corporation hereby designates as its registered office 2540 South Lake Letta Drive, Avon Park, FL 33825, and its registered agent, John Boutwell, who is located at the same address for service of process.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I, the undersigned incorporator, have hereunto set my hand and seal this 30 day of July, 1998, for the purpose of forming this non-profit corporation under the laws of the State of Florida, and I hereby make and file in the office of the Secretary of State of the State of Florida, these Articles of Incorporation, and certify that the facts herein stated are true.

John Boutwell, Incorporator

STATE OF FLORIDA COUNTY OF HIGHLANDS

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this day of July, 1998 by John Boutwell who is personally known to me or who has produced as incorporator and who executed the foregoing articles of incorporation, and acknowledged before me that he subscribed to those articles of incorporation.

TERRI WATSON

MY COMMISSION # CC 750606

EXPIRES: 09/23/2002

1-800-3-NOTARY Fla. Notary Services & Bonding Co.

Notary Public, State of Florida at Large My commission expires: (affix notarial seal) Having been named to accept service of process for the above stated corporation, I hereby accept to act in this capacity and agree to comply with the provision of said Act relative to keeping open said office.

John Boutwell, Registered Agent

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