

- TO: Karon Beyer, Chief Bureau of Commercial Recording
- FROM: Gerard T. York, Assistant General Counsel
- DATE: September 8, 1998
- RE: Citizen Support Organizations

Attached please find for filing original articles of incorporation for: NORTHEAST FLORIDA PRESERVATION, INC.; SOUTHEAST FLORIDA PRESERVATION, INC.; and CENTRAL WEST FLORIDA PRESERVATION, INC.

Each one of these corporations is a non-profit organization organized pursuant to section 267.17(d), Florida Statutes, to provide assistance to the Florida Department of State, Division of Historical Resources, in the area of historical preservation. Accordingly, it is submitted that filing fees should not be collected with respect to these entities.

Please call if you have any questions.

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## ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF CENTRAL WEST FLORIDA PRESERVATION, INC. (a corporation not for profit)

The undersigned incorporator signs and delivers these Articles of Incorporation order to form a corporation not for profit under the laws of the State of Florida.

## ARTICLE I. NAME AND ADDRESS OF CORPORATION.

The name of this corporation is CENTRAL WEST FLORIDA PRESERVATION, INC. The address of the principal office of the corporation and its mailing address is 1802 E. 19<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Tampa, Florida 33605.

#### ARTICLE II. PURPOSES.

A. This corporation is organized and shall operate exclusively to advise the Florida Department of State, Division of Historic Resources, to serve to encourage historic preservation in Manatee, Pasco, Pinellas, Polk, Sarasota, Hillsborough and Hernando counties, in a manner consistent with the policies and goals of the Department in fostering a statewide heritage network in accordance with sections 267.17 and 267.061, Florida Statutes. The corporation may use the property and facilities of the Division pursuant to section 267.17, Florida Statutes, but such use must be appropriate and must be directly in keeping with the approved purposes of the citizen support organization and may not be made at times or places that would unreasonably interfere with opportunities for the general public to use such facilities for established purposes.

B. It shall be the responsibility of this corporation, as set forth in a letter of agreement pursuant to section 267.17(1)(d), Florida Statutes, to provide assistance, advice and recommendations to the Florida Department of State, Division of Historical Resources, through the Tampa Regional Preservation Office in establishing priorities for the identification, acquisition, protection, and preservation of historic and archaeological sites and properties; establishing criteria for use in assessing the significance of historic and archaeological sites and properties; providing an active outreach program to encourage public understanding of and involvement in the preservation of the state's historic preservation programs administered by the Division of Historical Resources; and providing such other assistance and advice to the Division of Historical Resources as may be required from time to time in matters pertaining to the protection and preservation of the state's historical and archaeological sites and properties.

### ARTICLE III. TERM OF EXISTENCE.

This corporation is to exist perpetually.

#### ARTICLE IV. DIRECTORS.

The directors are to be appointed by the Secretary of State and are qualified through the demonstration of special interest, experience, or education, in the preservation of the state's historic and archaeological sites and properties. The Board of Directors shall not exceed 15 members, but shall include at least one member from each county in this corporation's geographic service area of: Manatee, Pasco, Pinellas, Polk, Sarasota, Hillsborough, and Hernando counties. The Historical Resources Administrator of the Tampa Regional Preservation Office shall be the ex-officio Secretary of the Board of Directors.

The term of office of each director shall be three years, except that the terms for the initial directors of this support organization shall be for a term of two or three years as determined by the Board of Directors during the organization's first business meeting, which shall be recorded. No person shall serve more than two consecutive terms as a director. If a director misses 3 consecutive meetings or all of the meetings within a fiscal year, this may be considered cause for removal. Any vacancy occurring in the Board of Directors may be filled by the Secretary of State, but such appointment shall be for the remainder of the unexpired term only.

#### ARTICLE V. OFFICERS

The officers of the corporation shall consist of a Chairman, Vice Chairman and Secretary. The directors shall elect officers annually at the first meeting of the fiscal year. The Historical Resources Administrator of the Tampa Regional Preservation Office shall be ex-officio Secretary.

#### ARTICLE VI. MEETINGS

At least two meetings shall be held each year. Meetings shall be held at various locations within the geographic service area and shall be publicly noticed. Meetings will be called at the request of the Division of Historical Resources or the Tampa Regional Preservation Office, or by the Chairman.

#### ARTICLE VII. QUORUM

A majority of directors shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. The vote of a majority of directors present at a meeting at which a quorum is present shall constitute the action of the Board of Directors. If less than a quorum is present, then a majority of those directors present may adjourn the meeting from time to time without notice until a quorum is present.

# ARTICLE VIII. NAME AND ADDRESS OF INCORPORATOR.

The name and address of the incorporator of this corporation is Frank Schiraldi, 1802 E. 19<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Tampa, Florida 33605.

# ARTICLE IX. NAME AND OFFICE OF REGISTERED AGENT.

The name of this corporation's initial registered agent and the street address of this corporation's initial registered office are: Frank Schiraldi, 1802 E. 19<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Tampa, Florida 33605.

# ARTICLE X. NONPROFIT OPERATION

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The corporation will not have or issue shares of stock. The corporation will not have income or assets.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has subscribed to these Articles of Incorporation at Tampa, Florida, this <u>28</u> day of <u>Aug.</u>, 1998.

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Incorporator

# CERTIFICATE DESIGNATING OFFICE FOR THE SERVICES OF PROCESS WITHIN THIS STATE, AND NAMING AGENT UPON WHOM PROCESS MAY BE SERVED

Pursuant to Section 617.0202, Florida Statutes, the following is submitted in compliance with the Florida Not For Profit Corporation Act:

First: That Central West Florida Preservation, Inc., desiring to organize under the laws of the State of Florida, with its principal office at Tampa, Florida, has named Frank Schiraldi, at the same address as its agent to accept service of process within the state.

### ACKNOWLEDGEMENT:

Having been appointed to accept service of process for the above stated corporation, at the place designated in this certificate, I hereby accept such appointment.

Chill.

FRANK SCHIRALDI

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