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April 24, 2008

VIA INTEROFFICE MAIL

Ms. Susan Payne Senior Section Administrator Florida Division of Corporations Corporate Filings Post Office Box 6327 Tallahassee, Florida 32314-6327

Dear Ms. Payne:

Please file the enclosed amendment to the articles of incorporation of Freedom Bank, Bradenton, Florida, at your earliest convenience. The distribution of the certified copies should be made as follows:

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Also enclosed is a check for \$52.50 representing the filing and certified copy fees. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

William A. Lott

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Senior Management Analyst II Bureau of Bank Regulation

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Enclosures (4)

SECOND AMENDMENT

TO

AMENDED AND RESTATED ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF

FREEDOM BANK

(Doc. No. P05000020604)

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 607.1006, Florida Statutes, FREEDOM BANK, a Florida-chartered commercial bank (the "Bank"), adopts the following Articles of Amendment to its Amended and Restated Articles of Incorporation:

FIRST:

Article III of the Bank's Amended and Restated Articles of Incorporation are hereby amended to read in their entirety as follows:

"ARTICLE III Capital Stock

The number of shares authorized to be issued shall be 10,000,000. be of a single class and shall have a par value of \$1.00 per share."

SECOND:

The foregoing amendment was adopted on April 18, 2008.

THIRD:

The foregoing amendment was approved by the Board of Directors of the Bank and, pursuant to Section 607.1002(7), Florida Statutes, the foregoing amendment did not require shareholder action or approval.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Bank has caused these Articles of Amendment to be signed by the President and Chief Executive Officer of the Bank this 21st day of April, 2008.

FREEDOM BANK

a Florida-chartered commercial bank

Gerald L. Anthony

President and Chief Executive Officer

Approved by the Office of Financial Regulation this 34th day of April , 2008

Tallahassee, Florida

Name: Linda B. Charity

Title: Director

Office of Financial Regulation, Division of Financial Institutions