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June 21, 2011

VIA INTEROFFICE MAIL

Ms. Karen Gibson Senior Section Administrator Amendment Section Florida Division of Corporations Post Office Box 6327 Tallahassee, Florida 32314-6327

Dear Ms. Gibson:

Please file the enclosed amendment to the Articles of Freedom Bank of America, St. Petersburg, Florida, at your earliest convenience. The distribution of the certified copies should be made as follows:

(1) Return one copy to:

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Mr. G. Andrew Williams

CEO/President

Freedom Bank of America Post Office Box 1441

St. Petersburg, Florida 33731-1441

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

Sincerely.

Jeremy W. Smith

Financial Control Analyst

Bureau of Bank Regulation, District 1

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Enclosures (4)

ARTICLES OF AMENDMENT

TO

ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

OF

FREEDOM BANK OF AMERICA

Pursuant to Section 607.1006, Florida Statutes, the Articles of Incorporation of Freedom Bank of America are hereby amended as follows:

<u>FIRST</u>: Article III of the Articles of Incorporation is hereby amended by deleting the text thereof in its entirety and substituting the following in lieu thereof.

The total number of shares authorized to be issued by the corporation shall be 20,000,000. Such shares shall be at the single class, shall be entitled to one (1) vote per common share, and shall have a par value of \$1.00 per share.

SECOND: The foregoing amendment was adopted by the holders of in excess of a majority of the outstanding shares of common stock, being the sole voting group entitled to vote on the amendment, on May 26, 2011 and the number of votes cast for the amendment was sufficient for approval by the holders of common stock.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has caused these Articles of Amendment to Articles of Incorporation to be executed and attested to by its duly authorized officer as of this 8th day of June, 2011.

FREEDOM BANK OF AMERICA

Print Name: G. Andrew Williams

Title: Chief Executive Officer

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