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OFFICE OF FINANCIAL REGULATION

DATE:

May 25, 2005

TO:

Karon Beyer, Department of State

Division of Corporations - Bureau of Commercial Recordings

FROM:

Bruce Ricca, Licensing and Chartering

SUBJ:

Southshore Community Bank

Apollo Beach, Hillsborough County

(Proposed New Bank)

Please file the attached Articles of Incorporation for the above-referenced institution, using <u>TODAY'S DATE</u>, as the effective date.

Please make the following distribution of certified copies:

(1) One copy to:

Bruce Ricca

Office of Financial Regulation

Licensing & Chartering 200 East Gaines Street Tallahassee, FL 32399-0371

(2) Three copies to:

Mr. Crispin G. Stout

Southshore Community Bank (in organization)

5928 Fortune Place

Apollo Beach, Florida 33572

(3) One copy to:

Ms. Charmion Haley

(uncertified)

Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation

10 Tenth Street, N. E.

Suite 800

Atlanta, Georgia 30309-3906

Also attached is a check that represents payment of the filing fees, charter tax and certified copies. If you have any questions, please call 410-9528.



PROGRAM OF THE

The undersigned, acting as incorporators of SOUTHSHORE COMMUNITY BANK (the "Corporation") under the Florida Business Corporation Act, adopt the following Articles of Incorporation.

ARTICLE I CORPORATE NAME AND PRINCIPAL OFFICE

The name of the Corporation shall be SOUTHSHORE COMMUNITY BANK and its initial place of business shall be 5998 U.S. Hwy. 41, Apollo Beach, Hillsborough County, Florida 33572.

ARTICLE II GENERAL NATURE OF BUSINESS

The general nature of the business to be transacted by the Corporation shall be that of a commercial banking business with all rights, powers, and privileges granted and conferred by the Florida Financial Institutions Codes, relating to the organization, powers and management of banking corporations.

ARTICLE III CAPITAL STOCK

The number of shares authorized to be issued by the Corporation shall be 2,000,000. Such shares shall be of a single class and shall have a par value of \$5.00. The Corporation shall begin business with at least \$4,000,000 of paid-in capital, to be derived from the issuance of at least 800,000 shares, as well as initial paid-in capital surplus of not less than \$3,400,000, all of which (paid-in capital and paid-in capital surplus) shall be paid in cash.

ARTICLE IV TERM OF EXISTENCE

The term for which the Corporation shall exist shall be perpetual unless terminated pursuant to the Florida Financial Institutions Codes.

ARTICLE V INCORPORATORS AND INITIAL DIRECTORS

The names and street addresses of the incorporators of the Corporation, who shall also serve as the Corporation's initial directors, are set forth below:

NAME	STREET ADDRESS
George R. Greenwell	509 Seffner Valrico Road Valrico, FL 33594
Ronald A. Knight	3814 Cardenal Avenue Ruskin, FL 33773
Thomas H. Looker	3313 San Gabriel Street Clearwater, FL 33759

Harold E. Ott 725 South Oregon Avenue Tampa, FL 33606 404 13th Street S.W. Robert G. Phillips Ruskin, FL 33570 Gary F. Queen 2801 Marrie Court Clearwater, FL 33761 Jack P. Sizemore, Jr. 8602 Tatum Road Plant City, FL 33567 Glenda L. Spencer 4971 Bacopa Lane S. #801C St. Petersburg, FL 33715 Crispin G. Stout 3623 Cold Creek Drive Valrico, FL 33594 Mary E. Sultenfuss 713 Rosier Road Brandon, FL 33510 2213 Golf Manor Blvd. Larry R. Tracy Valrico, FL 33594 Robert A. Tronu 6362 Cocoa Lane Apollo Beach, FL 33572

The number of directors of the Corporation shall not be fewer than five. A majority of the full board of directors may, at any time during the year following any annual meeting of shareholders, increase the number of directors by not more than two and appoint persons to fill the resulting vacancies.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has executed these Articles of Interporation this 16+1 day of 2005.

Crispin G. Sout an Incorporator

APPROVAL OF ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION BY THE OFFICE OF FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS AND SECURITIES REGULATION

The foregoing Articles of Incorporation of SOUTHSHORE COMMUNITY BANK are approved by the Office of Financial Institutions and Securities Regulation of the Florida Department of Financial Services this **25**thday of 2005 at Tallahassee, Florida.

Linda B. Charity, Director, Financial Institutions
Office of Financial Regulation