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INTEROFFICE COMMUNICATION

DATE:

October 24, 2014

TO:

Brenda Tadlock, Department of State

Division of Corporations - Bureau of Commercial Recordings

FROM:

Matthew Kirchharr, Division of Financial Institutions

SUBJECT:

Merger of Highlands Independednt Bank and into Harbor Community Bank

Please file the attached "Merger Documents" (an original and 3 copies) for the above referenced insitutions, using 5:10 PM October 24, 2014, as the effective date and time for the merger.

Please make the following distribution of certified copies of the merger documents:

(1) One copy to:

Office of Financial Regulation

Division of Financial Institutions

200 East Gaines Street

Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0371

(2) Two copies to:

David C. Scileppi, Esq.

Gunster, Yoakley & Stewart, P.A. 450 E. Las Olas Boulevard, Ste. 1400

Fort Lauderdale, FL 33301

Attached is a \$96.25 check which represents payment of applicable fees. If there is an over-payment or under-payment of fees, or if you have any questions, please call David C. Scileppi, Esquire at (954) 462-2000.

Attachments

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WHEREAS, Section 658.41, Florida Statutes, provides for the merger of financial institutions; and

WHEREAS, I am satisfied that the terms of the Articles and Plan of Merger and Merger Agreement between the financial institutions described below comply with Section 658.43(3), Florida Statutes, and that the other regulatory conditions of the Office have been met,

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Robert D. Hayes, as Director of the Division of Financial Institutions, Office of Financial Regulation, do hereby issue this Certificate authorizing consummation of the merger of the following constituent financial institutions:

Highlands Independent Bank Sebring, Highlands County, Florida

Charter #899

Harbor Community Bank Indiantown, St. Lucie, Florida

Charter # 1214

under the charter of:

Harbor Community Bank
Harbor Community Bank

under State Charter No: 1214

And, I further authorize Harbor Community Bank to continue the transaction of a general banking business with main offices at 15588 SW Warfield Blvd., Indiantown, St. Lucie County, Florida, and with branch offices as authorized by law. On the effective date of merger, 5:10 p. m. EDT, October 24, 2014, the charter and franchise of Highlands Independent Bank shall be deemed terminated and surrendered.

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Signed and Sealed this 24 day of October, 2014.

Robert D. Hayes, Director Olivision of Financial Institutions

OFFICE OF FINANCIAL REGULATION



Having been approved by the Commissioner of the Office of Financial Regulation on July 28, 2014, to merge Highlands Independent Bank, Sebring, Highlands County, Florida, and Harbor Community Bank, Indiantown, St. Lucie, Florida, and being satisfied that the conditions of approval have been met, I approve for filing with the Florida Department of State, the attached "Plan of Merger and Merger Agreement," which contains the Articles of Incorporation of Harbor Community Bank (the resulting bank), so that, effective 5:10 p.m. on October 24, 2014, they shall read as stated herein.

Signed on this 24 day of October, 2014.

Robert D. Hayes, Director ()
Division of Financial Institutions

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PLAN OF MERGER AND MERGER AGREEMENT

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 658.42 of the Florida Statutes, the undersigned banks do hereby adopt and enter into this Plan of Merger and Merger Agreement (this "Agreement") for the purpose of merging (the "Merger") Highlands Independent Bank, a Florida chartered commercial bank ("Bank"), with and into Harbor Community Bank, a Florida chartered commercial bank ("Harbor"):

- (a) The name of each constituent bank and the specific location of its main office are as follows:
 - Harbor Community Bank
 15588 SW Warfield Blvd.
 Indiantown, FL 34956

The specific location of each of its branch offices is set forth on <u>Schedule 1</u> attached hereto.

2. Highlands Independent Bank 2600 US Highway 27 North Sebring, FL 33870

The specific location of each of its branch offices is set forth on <u>Schedule 2</u> attached hereto.

- (b) With respect to the resulting state bank:
 - 1. The name and the specific location of the proposed main office are:

Harbor Community Bank 15588 SW Warfield Blvd. Indiantown, FL 34956

The name of each of its branch offices will be Harbor Community Bank. The specific location of each of its existing and proposed branch offices is set forth on <u>Schedule 3</u> attached hereto.

- 2. The name and address of each director who is to serve until the next meeting of the shareholders at which directors are elected are set forth on <u>Schedule 4</u> attached hereto.
- 3. The name and address of each executive officer are set forth on <u>Schedule 5</u> attached hereto.
- 4. The resulting bank will have a single class of common stock, par value \$1.00 per share ("Resulting Bank Common Stock"), consisting of 10,000,000 authorized

shares, of which 7,500,000 will be outstanding. The amount of the surplus fund will be \$103 million and the amount of retained earnings will be \$10 million.

- 5. The complete articles of incorporation under which the resulting bank will operate are attached hereto as Schedule 6.
- (c) The terms for the exchange of shares of the constituent banks are as follows:
 - 1. At the Effective Time (as defined below), each issued and outstanding share of the common stock of Bank, par value \$1.00 per share, shall, by virtue of the Merger and without any action by the holder thereof, be extinguished. At the Effective Time, each of the 7,500,000 issued and outstanding shares of the common stock of Harbor, par value \$1.00 per share, shall continue to be outstanding and held by HCBF Holding Company, Inc., a Florida corporation, and shall constitute all of the issued and outstanding Resulting Bank Common Stock.
 - 2. The "Effective Time" shall mean 5:10 p.m. on October 24, 2014, or as soon as practicable thereafter after the delivery of this Agreement and certified resolutions to the Florida Office of Financial Regulation (the "Office").
- (d) This Agreement is subject to approval by the Office and by the shareholders of Bank and Harbor and (2) the provision of all required notices to the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have duly executed this Agreement as of the 3th day of October, 2014.

HARBOR COMMUNITY BANK

Name: J. Hal Roberts, Jr.

Title: President

HIGHLANDS INDEPENDENT BANK

Name: John C. Shoop

Title: President & Chief Executive Officer

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- (d) This Agreement is subject to approval by the Office and by the shareholders of Bank and Harbor and (2) the provision of all required notices to the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have duly executed this Agreement as of the 13th day of October, 2014.

HARBOR COMMUNITY BANK

By:
Name: J. Hal Roberts, Jr.
Title: President

HIGHLANDS INDEPENDENT BANK

Name: John C. Shoop

Title: President & Chief Executive Officer

BANKING OFFICES OF HARBOR COMMUNITY BANK

Main Office:

15588 SW Warfield Blvd. Indiantown, FL 34956

Branch Offices:

251 West First Street	2300 Oak Ridge Road
Sanford, FL 32771	Orlando, FL 32809

2320 S. Orange Avenue	2591 Simpson Road
Orlando, FL 32806	Kissimmee, FL 34743

430 N. Semoran Blvd.	100 Park Place Suite 101
Orlando, FL 32807	Kissimmee, FL 34741

450 E. Altamonte Dr.	11681 S. Orange Blossom Trail, Suite 1
Altamonte Springs, FL 32701	Orlando, FL 32837

2 South Orange Avenue	1975 A1A South
Orlando, FL 32801	St. Augustine, FL 32080

2991 SW High Meadow Avenue	2550 US Highway 441 S
Palm City, Florida 34990	Okeechobee, Florida 34974

200 S. Indian River Drive	4009 Okeechobee Road
Fort Pierce, Florida 34950	Fort Pierce, FL 34947

2300 Ponce De Leon Blvd	350 N. State Road 19
St. Augustine, FL 32084	Palatka, FL 32177

3240 Cardinal Drive	3275 Us 1 South
Vero, Beach, Florida 32963	St. Augustine, FL 32086

1549 N.W. St. Lucie West Blvd.	3250 SE Federal Highway
Port St. Lucie, Florida 34986	Stuart, Florida 34997

7510 S. US Highway 1 Port St. Lucie, FL 34952

81 King Street St. Augustine, FL 32084

900 State Road 16 St. Augustine, FL 32084 6736 West Indiantown Road Jupiter, Florida 33458

120 State Road 312 West St. Augustine, FL 32086

3900 20th Street Vero Beach, FL 32960

BANKING OFFICES OF HIGHLANDS INDEPENDENT BANK

Main Office

2600 U.S. Highway 27 North Sebring, Florida 33870

Branch Offices:

3540 U.S. Highway 27 South Sebring, Florida 33870

205 West Center Ave. Sebring, Florida 33870

6505 U.S. Highway 27 North Sebring, Florida 33870

400 U.S. Highway 27 North Avon Park, Florida 33825

120 U.S. Highway 27 South Lake Placid, Florida 33852

BANKING OFFICES OF HARBOR COMMUNITY BANK AFTER CONSUMMATION OF THE MERGER

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120 State Road 312 West St. Augustine, FL 32086

2600 U.S. Highway 27 North Sebring, Florida 33870

205 West Center Ave. Sebring, Florida 33870

400 U.S. Highway 27 North Avon Park, Florida 33825

3900 20th Street Vero Beach, FL 32960

HARBOR COMMUNITY BANK DIRECTORS

Michael Brown, Sr. 3117 S. Indian River Drive Ft. Pierce, FL 34982

J. Hal Roberts, Jr. 105 N. E. Charleston Oaks Drive Port St. Lucie, FL 34983

Frank H. Fee, III 2821 S. Indian River Drive Ft. Pierce, FL 34982

Richard Lynch 2505 N. Indian River Drive Ft. Pierce, FL 34946

Cynthia Angelos 1566 Ballantrae Court Port St. Lucie, FL 34952

David Bessette 5155 Palmetto Avenue Ft. Pierce, FL 34982-7266

Jeffrey Leslie 111 Golfview Drive Tequesta, FL 33469

Andrew Taylor 1025 Winding River Road Vero Beach, FL 32963

Bobby Tucker 5108 SW Hammock Creek Drive Palm City, FL 34990

John A. Lester 120 State Road 312 West St. Augustine, FL 32086

HARBOR COMMUNITY BANK EXECUTIVE OFFICERS

Michael Brown, Sr., Chairman and Chief Executive Officer 3117 S. Indian River Drive Ft. Pierce, FL 34982

J. Hal Roberts, Jr., President and Chief Operating Officer 105 NE Charleston Oaks Drive Port St. Lucie, FL 34983

Michael Brown, Jr., Executive Vice President and Chief Lending Officer 2925 S. Indian River Drive Fort Pierce, FL 34982

Randall A. Ezell, Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer 610 Malabar Avenue Fort Pierce, FL 34949

ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF HARBOR COMMUNITY BANK

(see attached)

ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF HARBOR COMMUNITY BANK

DIVISION OF CORPORATIONS
12 JUN 14 AM 8: 20

Harbor Community Bank, a commercial bank organized under the laws of the State of Florida, hereby adopts the following Articles of Incorporation:

ARTICLE I.

The name of this corporation shall be HARBOR COMMUNITY BANK (the "Bank"). The initial street address of the Bank's main office shall be 15588 Southwest Warfield Boulevard, Indiantown, Florida 34956 in Martin County. This Bank is incorporated by conversion from a Federal Stock Savings Bank. These Articles shall be effective upon filing.

ARTICLE II. Nature of Business

The general nature of the business to be transacted shall be that of a general banking business as provided by the laws of the State of Florida with all the rights, powers, and privileges granted and conferred by the Florida Financial Institutions Codes regulating the organization, powers and management of banking corporations.

ARTICLE III. Capital Stock

The total number of shares authorized to be issued by the Bank is ten million (10,000,000) shares of common stock, par value one dollar (\$1.00) per share ("Common Stock"), which shall be a single class. The Bank shall begin business with at least \$44,747,000 of paid-in-capital, to be derived from the issuance of 7,500,000 shares of Common Stock.

ARTICLE IV. Term of Corporate Existence

This Bank shall exist perpetually unless terminated pursuant to the Florida Financial Institutions Code.

ARTICLE V. Number of Directors

The Board of Directors of this Bank shall consist of not fewer than five (5) individuals, the exact number of Directors to be fixed and determined from time to time by resolution of the shareholders at any annual meeting thereof; provided, however, that if authorized by a majority of the shareholders by appropriate action at the next annual meeting, a majority of the full Board of Directors may, at any time during the year following the annual meeting of shareholders in which such action has been authorized, increase the number of Directors within the limits specified above, and appoint persons to fill the resulting vacancies, provided further, that in any one year not more than two such additional Directors shall be authorized pursuant to this provision.

ARTICLE VI. Initial Board of Directors

The initial Board of Directors shall consist of eight (8) persons. The initial members of the Board of Directors of this Bank shall hold office until the first annual meeting of the shareholders, and thereafter until their successor or successors are elected. The names and addresses of the initial members of the Board are as follows:

	Names	Addresses
1.	Michael Brown, Sr.	3117 S. Indian River Drive Ft. Pierce, FL 34982
2	J. Hal Roberts, Jr.	105 N. E. Charleston Oaks Drive Port St. Lucie, FL 34983

3.	Frank H. Fee, III	2821 S. Indian River Drive Ft. Pierce, FL 34982
4.	Richard Lynch	2505 N. Indian River Drive Ft. Pierce, FL 34946
5.	Cynthia Angelos	1566 Ballantrae Court Port St. Lucie, FL 34952
6.	David Bessette	5155 Palmetto Avenue Ft. Pierce, FL 34982-7266
7.	Jeffrey Leslie	111 Golfview Drive Tequesta, FL 33469
8.	Bobby Tucker	5108 SW Hammock Creek Drive Palm City, FL 34990

ARTICLE VII. Main Office

The Board of Directors shall have the power to change the location of the main office to any other location, without the approval of shareholders but subject to the approval of the Office of Financial Regulation, State of Florida, and shall have the power to establish or change the location of any branch or branches of the Bank to any other location, without the approval of the shareholders but subject to the approval of the Office of Financial Regulation, State of Florida.

ARTICLE VIII. Amendment

These Articles of Incorporation may be amended at any regular meeting or special meeting of the shareholders by the affirmative vote of the holders of a majority of the stock of this Bank, unless the vote of the holders of a greater amount of stock is required by law, and in that case by the vote of the holders of such greater amount.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has executed these Articles of Incorporation this 18th day of May, 2012.

Michael Brown, 8r. Chief Executive Officer Registered Agent, Registered Office, & Registered Agent's Signature:

GY Corporate Services, Inc. 777 South Flagler Drive Suite 500 East West Palm Beach, FL 33401

Having been named as registered agent and to accept service of process for the Bank at the place designated above, GY Corporate Services, Inc. ("GYCS") hereby accepts the appointment as registered agent and agrees to act in this capacity. GYCS further agrees to comply with the provisions of all statutes relating to the proper and complete performance of its duties, and GYCS is familiar with and accepts the obligations of the position as registered agent as provided under applicable law.

GY CORPORATE SERVICES, INC

Ву:

Robert C. White, Jr., Vice President

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SECRETARY OF STATE

APPROVAL FROM FLORIDA OFFICE OF FINANCIAL REGULATION

The Articles of Incorporation of HARBOR COMMUNITY BANK are hereby approved by the Office of Financial Regulation this 12th day of _______, 2012.

Tallahassee, Florida

Linda B. Charity, Director
Office of Financial Regulation

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