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### **COVER LETTER**

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	(PROPOSED CORPORATE NAME – <u>MUST IN</u>					
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Address

GAINESVILLE. FL 32608

City. State & Zip

352-548-5165

Daytime Telephone number

liza.bradford@ffbf.org

E-mail address: (to be used for future annual report notification)

5700 SW 34TH STREET

NOTE: Please provide the original and one copy of the articles.

Name (Printed or typed)

## ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF FLORIDA COTTON GROWERS ASSOCIATION, INC (A Florida Corporation)

In compliance with the requirements of F.S. Chapter 607, the undersigned, being a natural person, does hereby act as the incorporator in adopting and filing the following articles of incorporation for the purpose of organizing a business corporation.

## ARTICLE I NAME OF CORPORATION

The name of the corporation shall be FLORIDA COTTON GROWERS ASSOCIATION, INC.

## ARTICLE II PRINCIPAL OFFICE

Principal Office Address: 5700 SW 34th Street
Gainesville, FL 32608

Mailing Address, if different is: P.O. Box 147030

Gainesville, FL 32614-7030

## ARTICLE III PURPOSE

The purpose for which the corporation is organized is:

- 1. Promoting and protecting the interests of the Florida cotton industry:
- 2. Uniting all persons engaged or interested in the production, marketing, distribution, and utilization of cotton for the collection of information, and to foster, develop, and promote cooperation and coordination within the industry;
- 3. Collecting and disseminating, by publications and otherwise, the best available information relating to both practical and scientific data, in order to improve the cotton industry and to render all possible service to the general public;
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- 5. Encouraging proper cultural and cultivation practices and soil conservation in the production of cotton; and,
- 6. To do all things needful, necessary, suitable, and proper to carry-out the above objectives.

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The manner in which the directors are elected and appointed is as stated by the bylaws.

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The initial board of directors shall consist of one initial director, which shall serve and act as the director until the first annual meeting of shareholders or until its successors are elected. The name and address of the person who shall act and serve as the initial director are set forth below.

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James Marshall, President	6598 Hilton Trail, Baker, FL 32531
Scott Walker, Vice President	3510 Velor Road, McDavid, FL 32568
Paul Griswold, Director	8935 Hwy 89, Milton, FL 32570
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Phillip Marshall, At-Large	5206 Pitnic Road, Jay, FL 32565
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### ARTICLE IV REGISTERED AGENT

The name and Florida street address of the registered agent is: Liza Bradford 5700 SW 34<sup>th</sup> Street Gainesville, FL 32608

Having been named as registered agent to accept service of process for the above stated corporation at the place designated in this certificate, I am familiar with and accept the appointment as registered agent and agree to act in this capacity

Signature of Registered Agent Lyn J. Bradford Date Fibruary 23,2023

## ARTICLE VII NAME OF INCORPORATOR

The name and address of the person signing these articles of incorporation is: James Marshall 5700 SW 34th Street Gainesville, FL 32608

### ARTICLE VIII **EFFECTIVE DATE**

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