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January 20, 2006

Florida Department of State Division of Corporations Post Office Box 6327 Tallahassee, Florida 32314

In re: Articles of Incorporation re: "100 ACRE WOOD WILDLIFE REHABILITATION, INC."

Dear Sirs:

Please find enclosed for filing, the Articles of Incorporation together with a check in the amount of Seventy-Eight and 75/100 Dollars (\$78.75), to cover the filing fee, designation of resident agent, certified copy and certificate under seal for this corporation. You will note that the "R" in the word "ACME" is backwards on the Articles of Incorporation. This was done at the request of our client, and is not a mistake. We understand that your office may not be able to print the "R" in this fashion on the documents to be returned. However, hopefully this will not be a problem since the word is pronounced the same in either event.

If any other information is needed to complete this incorporation please do not hesitate to contact me. Your assistance in this matter is appreciated.

Yours truly,

JK/nk enclosures

pc: Linda Christian, President

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ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

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100 ACRE WOOD WILDLIFE REHABILITATION, INC.

I, the undersigned Incorporator, hereby execute these Articles of Incorporation for the purpose of becoming a Corporation Not-For-Profit under Chapter 617, Laws of the State of Florida, providing for the formation, liability, rights, privileges and immunities of a Corporation Not-For-Profit. By execution of these Articles of Incorporation, I do hereby accept all of the rights, privileges, benefits, and obligations conferred and imposed by said laws, and, further, do hereby adopt these Articles of Incorporation as the Charter of the Corporation hereby organized.

ARTICLE I

<u>Designation</u>. The name of the Corporation, shall be $\underline{100 \text{ ACRE WOOD WILDLIFE}}$ <u>REHABILITATION, INC.</u>, and said name shall be so registered with the Florida Department of State, Division of Corporations.

ARTICLE II DURATION

Perpetual Existence. This Corporation shall have perpetual existence, commencing upon the filing of these Articles of Incorporation with the Florida Department of State, Division of Corporations, unless dissolved according to law. Upon the dissolution of this corporation assets shall be distributed for one or more exempt purposes within the meaning of Section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future Federal Tax Code, or shall be distributed to the Federal government, or to a state or local government, for a public purpose.

ARTICLE III GENERAL NATURE OF BUSINESS

General Purpose. This corporation is organized exclusively for charitable, benevolent, educational, social, fraternal, historical and/or cultural purposes, including, for such purposes, the making of distributions to organizations under Section 501 (c) (3), of the Internal Revenue Code. The general nature of the business to be conducted by the Corporation shall be: To take in sick and injured wildlife for purposes of treating and rehabilitating them, and for the ultimate purpose of bringing them back to a state of health whereby they can be released back into the wild; and all other lawful businesses permitted to a corporation organized under Chapter 617, Florida Statutes, the Florida Not-For-Profit Corporation Act, as in effect from time-to-time.

ARTICLE IV POWERS

<u>Powers.</u> The Corporation shall have all the authority and statutory powers of a Corporation Not-For-Profit and all of the powers and duties set forth in Chapter 617, <u>Florida Statutes</u>, the Florida Not-For-Profit Corporation Act, except where variances permitted by law appear in these Articles. The Corporation may conduct business in a manner designed to further the purposes and general nature of the corporation, together with all other powers permitted by law to Not-For-Profit Corporations, including, but not limited to, the following powers:

All Legal Acts. To do everything necessary, proper, advisable, or convenient for the accomplishment of any of the purposes or the attainment of any of the objects or the furtherance of any of the powers herein set forth, and to do every other act and thing incidental thereto or connected therewith, to the fullest extent permitted by law. Notwithstanding any other provision of these articles, the corporation shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on (a) by a corporation exempt from Federal Income Tax under Section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code (or corresponding section of any future Federal Tax Code); or, (b) by a corporation, contributions to which are deductible under Section 170 (c) (2) of the Internal Revenue Code (or corresponding section of any future Federal Tax Code).

ARTICLE V INCOME DISTRIBUTION

No part of the net earnings of the corporation shall inure to the benefit cf, or be distributable to its members, trustees, directors, officers or other private persons, except that the corporation shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of Section 501 (c) (3) purposes. No substantial part of the activities of the corporation shall be the carrying on of propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and the corporation shall not participate in, or intervene in (including the publishing or distribution of statements) any political campaign on behalf of, or in opposition to, any candidate for public office.

ARTICLE VI FISCAL YEAR

The fiscal year of this corporation shall extend from the $1^{\rm st}$ day of October to the $30^{\rm th}$ day of September.

ARTICLE VII DISTRIBUTION ON DISSOLUTION

Upon the dissolution of the corporation, assets shall be distributed for one or more exempt purposes within the meaning of section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code, or shall be distributed to the federal government, or to a state or local government, for a public purpose. Any such assets not so disposed of shall be disposed of by a Court of Competent Jurisdiction of the county in which the principal office of the corporation is then located, exclusively for such purposes or to such organization or organizations, as said Court shall determine, which are organized and operated exclusively for such purposes.

ARTICLE VIII INITIAL CORPORATE ADDRESS AND INITIAL REGISTERED OFFICE AND REGISTERED AGENT

The initial corporate address of the corporation shall be at 99 Kohen Road, Brooksville, Florida 34601; and the initial registered agent of the Corporation shall be John M. Keller, Esq., and the address of the initial registered agent shall be 297 North Broad Street, Brooksville, FL 34601.

ARTICLE IX INITIAL BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The business of the corporation shall be conducted by a Board of Directors which shall consist of not less than three (3) persons, as shall be designated by the By-Laws, and elected at the annual meeting. The number of directors may be either increased or decreased from time-to-time by action in accordance with the Bylaws of the Corporation as from time-to-time adopted by the Board of Directors. The names and addresses of each of the initial Directors of the Corporation, each of whom shall serve until their respective successor is elected and has qualified pursuant to the Bylaws of the Corporation, are:

LINDA CHRISTIAN 99 Kohen Road Brooksville, FL 34601 DEBORAH BACKUS 25020 Mae Hight Road Brooksville, FL 34601

LEANNE CHRISTIAN 99 Kohen Road Brooksville, FL 34601

ARTICLE X FIRST OFFICERS

The names and street addresses of the first officers, all of whom shall hold office until their successors are duly elected and qualified are as follows:

LINDA CHRISTIAN
99 Kohen Road
Brooksville, FL 34601

President

DEBORAH BACKUS 25020 Mae Hight Road Brooksville, FL 34601 Vice-President

LINDA CHRISTIAN 99 Kohen Road Brooksille, FL 34601 Secretary

LINDA CHRISTIAN 99 Kohen Road Brooksville, FL 34601 Treasurer

ARTICLE XI INDEMNIFICATION

All officers and directors shall be indemnified by the Corporation against all expenses and liabilities including attorney's fees (including appellate proceedings) reasonably incurred in connection with any proceeding or settlement thereof in which they may become involved by reason of holding such office. The Corporation may purchase and maintain insurance on behalf of all officers and directors against any liability asserted against them or incurred by them in their capacity as officers and directors or arising out of their status as such. The Corporation, by the adoption of appropriate provisions in its Bylaws, may indemnify any officer, director, or employee of the Corporation, or any former officer, director, or employee of the Corporation, to the full extent permitted by and as set forth in the Florida Not-For-Profit Corporation Act.

ARTICLE XII AMENDMENT

Unless otherwise set forth herein, the Corporation reserves the right, in accordance with the Florida Not-For-Profit Corporation Act, to amend, alter, modify, or repeal any provision or provisions contained in these Articles of Incorporation, or any amendment hereto, and any right conferred upon the members is subject to this reservation.

ARTICLE XIII GOVERNANCE OF THE INTERNAL AFFAIRS OF THE CORPORATION

Bylaws. The initial By-Laws of the Corporation shall be adopted by the Board of Directors, which Board may from time-to-time alter, amend, repeal, or adopt new By-Laws in the manner provided by the By-Laws and these Articles.

ARTICLE XIV SUBSCRIBERS

The name and street address of the Incorporator of these Article of Incorporation is as follows:

LINDA CHRISTIAN 99 Kohen Road Brooksville, FL 34601

ARTICLE XV AMENDMENTS

The corporation reserves the right to amend, alter, change or repeal any provision contained in these Articles of Incorporation by a simple majority vote of all Directors of the corporation and all rights conferred upon the members herein are granted subject to this reservation.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned subscriber to these Articles of Incorporation, has set her hand and seal this day of Jonvany, 2006.

LINDA CHRISTIAN

President/Secretary/Treasurer

and Director

STATE OF FLORIDA COUNTY OF HERNANDO

BEFORE ME, the undersigned officer, this day personally appeared LINDA CHRISTIAN, to me well known to be the person described in and who subscribed her name to the foregoing Articles of Incorporation of 100 ACSE WOOD WILDLIFE REHABILITATION, INC., and she acknowledged before me that she executed said Articles of Incorporation for the uses and purposes therein expressed.

WITNESS my hand and official seal at the County and State aforesaid this $\frac{D}{D}$ day of $\frac{1}{D}$, 2006.

My Commission Expires:

Notary Public

State of Florida at Large

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CERTIFICATE DESIGNATING PLACE OF BUSINESS OR DOMICILE FOR THE SERVICE OF PROCESS WITHIN FLORIDA, AND NAMING AGENT UPON WHOM PROCESS MAY BE SERVED

In compliance with Section 48.091, <u>Florida Statutes</u>, the following is submitted:

100 ACRE WOOD WILDLIFE REHABILITATION, INC., desiring to organize or qualify under the laws of the State of Florida, with its principal place of business at 99 Kohen Road, Brookaville, Florida 34601, has named JOHN M. KELLER, ESQ., located at 297 North Broad Street, Brooksville, Florida, 34601, as its agent to accept service of process within the State of Florida.

Signature

LINDA CHRISTIA

Title: President

Date: 20 SANAY 2006

ACCEPTANCE OF RESIDENT AGENT

Having been named as resident agent to accept service of process for 100 ACRE WOOD WILDLIFE REHABILITATION, INC., at the place designated in this certificate, I hereby agree to act in such capacity, and I further agree to comply with the provisions of all statutes relative to the proper and complete performance of my duties as such officer.

Signature:

JOHN M. KELLER, ESQ

Date January 20,2006

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