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**STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS**

Office of the Secretary of State  
Corporations Division  
148 W. River Street  
Providence, Rhode Island 02904-2615

**NON-PROFIT CORPORATION**

**ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION**

The undersigned, acting as incorporator(s) of a corporation under Chapter 7-6 of the General Laws of Rhode Island, 1956, as amended, adopt(s) the following Articles of Incorporation for such corporation:

1. The name of the corporation is Amigos de Rabo de Peixe, Inc. +
  
2. The period of its duration is (if perpetual, so state) perpetual. +
  
3. The specific purpose or purposes for which the corporation is organized are:  
Amigos de Rabo de Peixe was established on February 5, 1994, with the purpose to promote the new Vila de Rabo de Peixe, located in the Ribeira Grande County, of S. Miguel Island, Azores, at all levels, through initiatives that will elevate and dignify it in the United States or in any other country. To motivate socialization and fraternization among Rabo de Peixe natives residing in the United States and their descendents, nourishing the love and pride they feel for Rabo de Peixe, always defending its good name. To take initiatives that will encourage Portuguese-Americans with origins in Rabo de Peixe to become involved in Amigos de Rabo de Peixe, Inc., so that they can know better their roots and be proud of them, and also assure the future of this association. These remain to be the purposes of this corporation.
  
4. Provisions, if any, not inconsistent with the law, which the incorporators elect to set forth in these articles of incorporation for the regulation of the internal affairs of the corporation are:  
The regulation and internal affairs of the corporation are to be managed by the duly appointed Board of Officers and Board of Directors, as set forth in the Bylaws.

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5. The address of the initial registered office of the corporation is c/o The Agency Paiva, 194 Warren Avenue  
(Street Address, not P.O. Box)  
East Providence, RI 02914, and the name of its initial registered agent at such  
(City/Town) (Zip Code)  
 address is Joseph E. Paiva  
(Name of Agent)

6. The number of directors constituting the initial Board of Directors of the Corporation is 3  
(not less than three directors)  
 and the names and addresses of the persons who are to serve as the initial directors are:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>
Joseph S. Azevedo	21 New Gardners Neck Road, Swansea, MA 02777
Joseph E. Paiva	19 Ellis Avenue, Warren, RI 02885
Silvina A. Estrela	65 Walker Street, Fall River, MA 02723

7. The name and address of each incorporator is:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>
Joseph S. Azevedo	21 New Gardners Neck Road, Swansea, MA 02777
Joseph E. Paiva	19 Ellis Avenue, Warren, RI 02885
Manuel F. Estrela	65 Walker Street, Fall River, MA 02723

8. Date when corporate existence is to begin             
(not prior to, nor more than 30 days after, the filing of these Articles of Incorporation)

Under penalty of perjury, I/we declare and affirm that I/we have examined these Articles of Incorporation, including any accompanying attachments, and that all statements contained herein are true and correct.

Date: May 17, 2007

Joseph S. Azevedo  
Joseph E. Paiva  
Manuel F. Estrela

Signature of each Incorporator