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ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION
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Pursuant to the provisions of Act 162, Public Acts of 1982, the undersigned corporation executes the following Articles:

ARTICLE I

The name of the corporation is:
Grand Rapids Alliance of Cooperative Communities

ARTICLE II

The purpose or purposes for which the corporation is organized are:
We are an organization formed for the purpose of providing the community of Grand Rapids with a means of sharing resources - specifically those related to food, housing, and self-empowerment. Our aim is to offer and promote the resources and services democratically identified by our members as facilitating a sustainable local economy and lifestyle.

ARTICLE III

- The corporation is organized upon a Nonstock basis.
(Stock or Nonstock)
- If organized on a stock basis, the total number of shares which the corporation has authority to issue is _____ If the shares are, or are to be, divided into classes, the designation of each class, the number of shares in each class, and the relative rights, preferences and limitations of the shares of each class are as follows:

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Use space below for additional Articles or for continuation of previous Articles. Please identify any Article being continued or added. Attach additional pages if needed.

PREAMBLE.

The undersigned, being natural persons of full age, do hereby associate for the purpose of forming a consumer cooperative under Chapter 11 of the Michigan Non-profit Corporation Act (Act 162, P.A. 1982 and Sections 98 through 109, Act 327, P.A. 1931) and, accordingly, hereby adopt the following Articles of Incorporation:

Article VI.

The corporation is organized as a non-equity cooperative and will not be operated for profit. Each member shall be restricted to one vote in its affairs.

Article VII.

The period of duration for the Corporation shall be perpetual.

Article VIII.

The Corporation shall have nine (9) directors to be elected by members, who shall hold office until their successors are elected and qualified. Until the first annual meeting of members, the Corporation shall be governed by an initial Board of Directors who shall be selected by the incorporators.

I, (We), the incorporator(s) sign my (our) name(s) this 16th day of August, 2012

[Signature]

Jamie L. Zimmerman

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