BY-LAWS PAWPAW CHAPTER OF THE FLORIDA NATIVE PLANT SOCIETY (FNPS)

ARTICLE I NAME:
A. The name of the organization shall be Pawpaw Chapter of the FNPS.

ARTICLE II PURPOSES:
A. The purposes of the Pawpaw Chapter of the FNPS are:

1. To conserve, protect and restore native plant communities.

2. To provide a forum for the exchange of ideas and knowledge regarding native flora of the region.

3. To provide and make recommendations regarding issues that concern native plants and/or their habitats.

ARTICLE III MEMBERSHIP:
1. All members of the Pawpaw Chapter must be members of the FNPS
   a. Dues are established by the FNPS as a portion of which is allocated to our chapter.

2. Each member shall be entitled to one vote on any question requiring a vote by the Membership.

3. The Membership shall elect Chapter Officers at the Annual Meeting. A nominating committee shall present a slate of officers one month prior to the Annual Meeting.

ARTICLE IV OFFICERS:
A. There shall be four officers of the Pawpaw Chapter of the FNPS: President, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer. They shall serve for one year and shall be elected at the Annual Meeting.

1. DUTIES OF THE PRESIDENT:
   a. Preside at all meetings.
   b. Serve as ex-officio on all committees, except nominating committee.
   c. Appoint committees and all committee chairpersons, etc.
   d. Appoint a Chapter Representative

2. DUTIES OF THE VICE-PRESIDENT:
   a. Exercise the functions of the President during the absence of or disability of the President.
   b. Shall have such powers and discharge such duties as may be assigned from time to time by the President.
   c. Serve as Chair for the Program Committee

3. DUTIES OF THE SECRETARY:
   a. Custodian of all chapter records except financial.
   b. Take responsibility for all correspondence.
c. Keep accurate minutes of meetings.

d. Report minutes of previous meeting at each chapter meeting.

4. DUTIES OF THE TREASURER:
   a. Keep and maintain correct accounts of all financial transactions.
   b. Provide treasury reports at all meetings.
   c. Deposit all monies to the credit of the Pawpaw Chapter of the Florida Native Plant Society.
   d. Disperse funds of the Pawpaw Chapter of the FNPS as may be ordered by the President or Board.

B. VACANCIES:
   a. The Board of Directors shall appoint a member to fill any vacancy

C. RECORDS:
   a. Each officer shall upon the expiration of his/her term of office and upon
      the election of a successor, deliver to the successor the records of past office.
   
   b. Resignation at mid-term deliver to Board Members

ARTICLE V STANDING AND TEMPORARY COMMITTEES:
A. The President shall create such standing and temporary committees as may be deemed necessary to accomplish the aims of the Pawpaw Chapter of the FNPS.

B. The nominating committee shall be appointed and will meet two months prior to the Annual Meeting.

ARTICLE VI MEETINGS:
A. The Pawpaw Chapter of the FNPS shall meet at least 10 times per year.

B. The Annual Meeting shall be in December.

C. The Board of Directors shall meet at least 4 times per year.

D. The Board shall consist of current officers, standing committee chairs, immediate past president and Chapter Representative

ARTICLE VII AMENDMENTS TO BY-LAWS:
A. Shall be distributed to members one month prior to being voted on.

ARTICLE VIII CHAPTER POLICIES:
A. Public plant sales and fund-raising events shall consist solely of Florida native plants.