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**FLORIDA PROFIT/NON PROFIT CORPORATION**

**MAHARASHTRA MANDAL OF SOUTH FLORIDA, INC.**

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**ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION**

**The undersigned act as incorporator of a corporation pursuant to chapter 617, Florida Statutes, adopts the following Articles of Incorporation:**

**ARTICLE I**

**Name:**

**The name of the corporation shall be:**

**MAHARASHTRA MANDAL OF SOUTH FLORIDA, INC.  
CORPORATION FOR NON PROFIT**

**ARTICLE II**

**Principal place of business and mailing address:**

**The principal place of business and mailing address of this corporation shall be:**

**8712 S. KENDALE CIRCLE, LAKE WORTH, FL 33467**

**ARTICLE III**

**Purpose(s)**

**To create a platform for bringing together people interested in Marathi culture and promote it in South Florida. The corporation will strive to preserve Marathi values, language and traditions and pass them on to future generations. In order to achieve these goals, the organization will:**

- A. Organize and sponsor cultural and social events.**
- B. Provide education on Maharashtra, Marathi language and culture**
- C. Create and maintain resources to support endeavors stated in (a) and (b).**
- D. Engage in activities supporting (a), (b), and (c) above.**

#### ARTICLE IV

##### Manner of Election of Directors:

The manner in which the directors are elected or appointed is as follows:

The board of directors is elected periodically according to the by-laws of the organization.

#### ARTICLE V

##### Initial Directors and/or Officers:

The names and addresses of the initial Board of Directors are as follows:

President: Mohini Athavale, 8712 S. Kendale Circle, Lake Worth, FL 33467  
Vice President: Arvind Kumbhojkar, 10200 SW 107<sup>th</sup> St., Miami, FL 33176  
Secretary: Rasika Joshi, 5416 Sunseeker Blvd., Greenacres, FL 33463  
Treasurer: Rohini Talwalkar, 519 Altara Ave, Coral Gables, FL 33416

#### ARTICLE VI

##### Limitation of Corporate Powers:

The corporate powers of this corporation are as provided in section 617.0302, Florida Statutes, unless limited are as follows

The Corporation is organized on a membership basis. At the time of incorporation, it has no real or personal property. The Corporation will be financed thru Dues, Gifts, Grants and Contributions received.

#### ARTICLE VII

##### Initial registered agent and street address:

Arvind B. Ajinkya, 4524 Gun Club Rd. Suite #102, West Palm Beach, FL 33415

**ARTICLE VIII**

**Incorporator**

**The name and the street address of the incorporator for these articles of incorporation is:**

**Mohini M. Athavale, 8712 S. Kendale Circle, Lake Worth, FL 33467**

**The undersigned incorporator has executed these Articles of Incorporation this 20<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2007.**

**Signature of Incorporator:**

Mohini M. Athavale

**ARTICLE IX**

**Said corporation is organized exclusively for charitable, educational, religious, or scientific purposes, within the meaning of section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code ( or corresponding section of any future Federal tax code.)**

**ARTICLE X**

**No part of the net earnings of the corporation shall inure to the benefit of, 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.**

**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.)**

**ARTICLE XI**

**Upon 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, i.e. charitable, educational, religious or scientific 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**

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**CERTIFICATE OF DESIGNATION OF  
REGISTERED AGENT/REGISTERED OFFICE**

**PURSUANT TO THE PROVISION OF SECTION 617.0501, FLORIDA  
STATUTES, THE UNDERSIGNED CORPORATION, ORGANIZED UNDER THE  
LAWS OF THE STATE OF FLORIDA, SUBMITS THE FOLLOWING STATEMENT IN  
DESIGNATING THE REGISTERED OFFICE/REGISTERED AGENT, IN THE STATE  
OF FLORIDA.**

**1. The name of the corporation is:**

**MAHARASHTRA MANDAL OF SOUTH FLORIDA, INC.**  
(must include suffix)

**2. The name and address of the registered agent and office is:**

**Aryind B. Ajinkya**  
(NAME)

**4524 Gun Club Rd., Suite #102**  
(P.O.Box or Mail Drop Box NOT Acceptable)

**West Palm Beach, FL 33415**  
(CITY/STATE/ZIP)

Having been named as registered agent and to accept service of process for the above stated corporation at the place designated in this certificate, I hereby accept the appointment as registered agent and agree to act in this capacity. I further agree to comply with the provisions of all statutes relating to the proper and complete performance of my duties, and I am familiar with and accept the obligations of my position as registered agent.

  
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(SIGNATURE)

10/20/07  
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