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## FLORIDA PROFIT/NON PROFIT CORPORATION

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**ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION  
OF  
La Société des Filles du roi et soldats du Carignan, Corp.**

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(a Florida non-profit corporation)

The undersigned incorporator to these Articles of Incorporation, a natural person competent to contract, hereby forms a non-profit corporation under the laws of the State of Florida.

**ARTICLE I. NAME**

The name of this corporation is **La Société des Filles du roi et soldats du Carignan, Corp.**

**ARTICLE II. PURPOSES AND POWERS**

The purposes and powers of the corporation are:

(a) To provide education to its members and the general public concerning proper genealogical research practices and the history and identity of the filles du roi, or King's Daughters, and soldiers of the Carignan-Salières Regiment, or Carignan soldiers, of 17<sup>th</sup> century New France and French-Canadian ancestry, history and culture, and to serve as a family history organization for those persons who have as ancestors one or more filles du roi and/or Carignan soldier ancestors.

(b) To own, rent, lease, operate and maintain sufficient real and personal property to carry out the purposes expressed herein above.

(c) To contract debts and to borrow money, to issue notes and other evidences of indebtedness.

(d) To do everything necessary, proper, advisable, or convenient for the accomplishment of the purposes or powers set forth in this article, and to do all other things incidental thereto or connected therewith, which are not forbidden by law or these articles of incorporation.

(e) To carry out any of the purposes or powers set forth in this article in any state, territory, district, or possession of the United States of America, or in any foreign country, to the extent that such purposes are not forbidden by the law of such place.

(f) Notwithstanding any other provision herein, this corporation is organized exclusively for charitable purposes and will not carry on any activities not permitted to be carried on by (a) a corporation exempt from federal income tax under Section 501(c)(3) of the United States Internal Revenue Code, as amended from time to time, or (b) by a corporation, contributions to which are deductible under Section 170(c)(2) of the United States Internal Revenue Code, as amended. This corporation shall not engage in the prohibited activities or the accumulation of income set forth in Section 508(e) or any other section of the United States Internal Revenue Code,

as amended. This corporation shall not be involved in prohibited financial transactions with disqualified persons (acts of self-dealing) per restrictions set forth in Section 494 and other provisions of the United States Internal Revenue Code, as amended.

(g) The funds to carry out the purposes of the corporation shall be obtained through donations and any and all means permitted under law.

### ARTICLE III. NON-STOCK CORPORATION

The corporation shall issue no stock and no dividends or pecuniary profits shall be declared or paid to the members hereof.

### ARTICLE IV. TERM OF EXISTENCE

The corporation is to exist perpetually and be effective as of the date of filing of these Articles.

### ARTICLE V. ADDRESS

The street address of the principal office of the corporation in the State of Florida is 3915 Vila Bella Drive, Sebring, FL 33872-2356. The mailing address of the corporation is P.O. Box 8332, Sebring, FL 33872-0123. The Board of Directors may from time to time move the principal office to any other address in Florida, and may establish branch offices in such other place or places as may be designated by the Board of Directors.

### ARTICLE VI. OFFICERS

The officers of this corporation shall consist of a President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer. These officers shall manage the affairs of the corporation and shall be elected by the Board of Directors as stated in the By-Laws of the corporation. Such officers may be members of the Board of Directors. Such officers shall serve for two (2) year terms, at the will of the Board of Directors, and may succeed themselves for an unlimited number of two (2) year terms. The initial officers are as follows:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>ADDRESS</u>	<u>OFFICE</u>
David Toupin /	256 Park Street, Kingston ON Canada K7L 1K6	President
Brian Montpellier /	4110 West 15 <sup>th</sup> Avenue West Vancouver, BC Canada V6R 3A5	Vice President
Richard Hudon /	1995 Sugar Hill Drive South Creedmoor, NC 27522	Treasurer
Brenda Ozog /	35030 Stellwagen Street Wayne, MI 48184-2737	Secretary

## ARTICLE VII. DIRECTORS

The corporation shall be managed by a board of not less than three (3) directors. The Directors shall be elected as stated in the By-Laws of the corporation. The initial Directors who are to serve until they resign or are removed are as follows:

David Toupin /  
256 Park Street, Kingston  
ON Canada K7L 1K6

Susan McNelley  
9 Deer Stalker Path /  
Monterey, CA 93940-6312

Michele Nadeau Hartmann  
407 Ellsworth Drive  
Silver Spring, MD 20910-4223

Christine Racine, /  
3915 Vila Bella Dr.  
Sebring, FL 33872-2356

/Richard Hudon  
1995 Sugar Hill Drive South  
Creedmoor, NC 27522

Lisabeth Elvin-Staltari  
4010 East Fourth Street  
Tucson, AZ 85711

## ARTICLE VIII. INCORPORATOR

The name and street address of the incorporator to these Articles of Incorporation are Christine Racine, 3915 Vila Bella Drive, Sebring, FL 33872-2356.

## ARTICLE IX. AMENDMENT

These articles may be amended by a majority vote of the Directors.

## ARTICLE X. NON-PROFIT CHARACTER

1. Said corporation is organized exclusively for charitable purposes, including, for such purposes, the making of distributions to organizations that qualify as exempt organizations under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

2. No part of the net earnings of the corporation shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to its members, trustees, 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 the purposes set forth in the purpose clause hereof. No substantial part of the activities of the corporation shall be 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 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 an organization 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 an organization, contributions to which are deductible under Section 170(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

3. 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 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 disposed

of shall be disposed of by the Circuit Court of the county in which the principal office of the organization 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 tax exempt purposes.

#### ARTICLE XI. BY-LAWS

The By-Laws of this corporation shall be adopted by the incorporators at the first incorporator's meeting and may be altered, amended or repealed by the Directors.

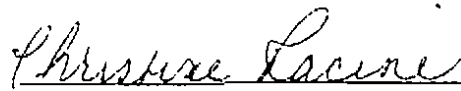
#### ARTICLE XII. MEMBERSHIP

The initial membership of this corporation shall be the persons who shall also constitute the Board of Directors. Additional members may be selected by the Board of Directors from persons showing a genuine interest in the general and specific purposes of the corporation.

#### ARTICLE XIII. REGISTERED OFFICE AND REGISTERED AGENT

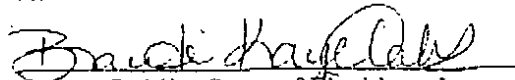
The corporation hereby designates as its registered office 3915 Vila Bella Dr., Sebring, FL 33872-2356, and its registered agent, Christine Racine, who is located at the same address for service of process.

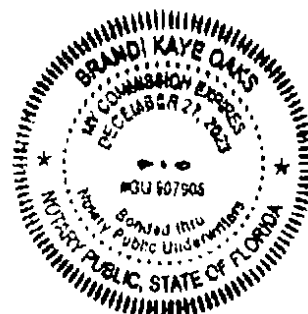
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned subscriber has hereunto set my hand and seal this 2 day of August, 2023, for the purpose of forming this non-profit corporation under the laws of the State of Florida, and hereby make and file in the office of the Secretary of State of the State of Florida, these Articles of Incorporation, and certify that the facts herein stated are true.

  
Christine Racine

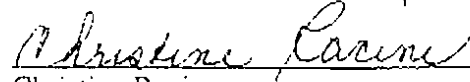
STATE OF FLORIDA  
COUNTY OF HIGHLANDS

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this 2 day of August, 2023 by means of ☒ physical presence or ☐ online notarization, by **Christine Racine**, ☐ who is personally known to me or ☒ who has produced Florida Driver's License as identification.

  
Notary Public, State of Florida at Large  
(affix notarial seal)



Having been named to accept service of process for the above stated corporation, at the place designated in this certificate, I hereby accept to act in this capacity and agree to comply with the provision of said Act relative to keeping open said office.

  
Christine Racine  
Registered Agent

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