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TO: Amendment Section
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NAME OF CORPORATION: THE ARC	OF BRADFORD COUN	TY, INC.
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The enclosed Articles of Amendment and fee are	e submitted for filing.	
Please return all correspondence concerning this	matter to the following:	
SHERRY RUSZK	f Contact Person)	
THE ARC OF BRAD (Firm	FORD COUNTY, INC n/Company)	
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## ARTICLES OF AMENDMENT TO ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF THE ARC OF BRADFORD COUNTY, INC.

The undersigned The Arc of Bradford County, Inc. hereby adopt the following Articles of Amendment to the Articles of Incorporation:

1. The Articles of Incorporation of The Arc of Bradford County, Inc. are hereby deleted as they now read and are amended to read as follows:

#### ARTICLE I

The name of the corporation is The Arc of Bradford County, Inc. The corporation's registered office is located at: 1351 South Water Street, Starke, Florida 32091.

#### ARTICLE II

The specific purposes for which the corporation is organized is:

- 1. To promote the general welfare of all persons with mental retardation.
- 2. Encourage research related to mental retardation.
- 3. Develop a better public understanding of the condition of mental retardation.
- 4. Develop a better public understanding of the condition of mental retardation.
- 5. Cooperate with public and private groups, agencies, or organizations in the furtherance of these ends.
- 6. Serve locally as a clearinghouse for information on mental retardation and related conditions.
- 7. Foster the development of inclusive services and supports on behalf of persons with mental retardation.
- 8. Solicit funds for the accomplishment of the above purposes.

#### The Mission of The Arc of Bradford County is:

Dedicated to treat those we serve with dignity, to empower them to choose and realize their own goals and promote their strengths through education and advocacy with the support of families, friends and the community.

#### ARTICLE III

This corporation is a non-profit, non-political, non-sectarian organization. No part of any net earning shall inure to the benefit of any member or individual and no officer or director of the corporation shall receive any compensation for his/her services as an officer or director.

#### **ARTICLE IV**

The corporation may have voting members, and such membership, and classes thereof, shall be as defined in the corporation's by-laws. The management and affairs of the corporation shall be at all times under the direction of a Board of Directors, whose operations in governing the corporation shall be defined by statute and by the corporation's by-laws. No member or Director shall have any right, title, or interest in or to any property of the corporation.

Names of original subscribers to the Corporation in 1976 then known as the Bradford-Union Association for Retarded Citizens:

Corine Corbett Lawtey, FL Starke, FL Ressie Griffith Starke, FL Ted Oglesby Bernice Bateman Hampton, FL Rodnev Hall Starke, FL Arlene Rosenkoff Gainesville, FL Raymond Baer Lake Butler, FL Charlie Johnson Lake Butler, FL Sharon Minshew Lake Butler, FL Gainesville, FL Mary Austin

#### **ARTICLE V**

Names of the current officers and registered agent: Current Officers:

Ross Chandler, President P.O. Box 333 Starke, FL 32091

Scott Roberts, Vice President George Roberts Insurance 976 North Temple Avenue Starke, FL 32091

Ray Norman, Treasurer 5816 NW 230<sup>th</sup> Street Starke, FL 32091

Anna Clayton, Secretary 7664 SW CR 18 Hampton, FL 32044

Registered Agent: Sherry Ruszkowski, Executive Director

The Arc of Bradford County, Inc.

1351 South Water Street

Starke, FL 32091

#### SECTION VI DEBT OBLIGATIONS AND PERSONAL LIABILITY

No member, officer or Director of this corporation shall be personally liable for the debts or obligations of this corporation of any nature whatsoever, nor shall any of the property of the members, officers or Directors be subject to the payment of the debts or obligations of this corporation.

#### ARTICLE VII

Membership shall be open to all people interested in the purposes of the Corporation, and shall be as provided for in the By-laws.

#### ARTICLE VIII

The officers shall be a president, a vice president, a secretary, and a treasurer. No employee or paid consultant of The Arc of Bradford County, Inc., may serve as an officer, director, voting committee member or delegate.

#### ARTICLE IX

The corporation shall hold an annual meeting at the time and place as provided in the By-laws. Special meetings may be held as provided in the By-laws.

#### ARTICLE X

The corporation shall be incorporated as a non-profit corporation under the applicable laws of the State of Florida and maintain exemption under the provisions of Section 501 (c) 3 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954.

#### **ARTICLE XI**

These Articles of Incorporation may be amended with an affirmative vote of two-thirds (2/3) of the general membership present at the Annual Meeting, or at a special meeting called for that purpose. Any proposed amendments shall have been presented in writing to each member at least (3) weeks in advance of the meeting at which the vote is to be taken.

#### ARTICLE XII

In the event of the dissolution of this corporation, or in the event it shall cease to exist for the stated purpose, all the property and assets shall be distributed to an organization or agency serving the mentally retarded which has

been granted exemption from Federal Income Tax under the provision of Section 501 (c) 3 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, or to a local, state, or federal government for exclusively public purposes.

- 2. The date of adoption of the Articles of Amendment by the Board of Directors was March 26, 2009. The number of votes cast for the Articles of Amendment was sufficient for approval by the Board of Directors.
- 3. The date of adoption of the Articles of Amendment by the Members was March 26,  $^{2009}$ . The number of votes cast for the Articles of Amendment was sufficient for approval by the Members.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, The President and Secretary of The Arc of Bradford County, Inc. have signed these Articles of Amendment.

(Signed) KID NUKEN	(Signed) (enna Seletro
ROSS CHANDLER, President	ANNA CLAYTON, Secretary
BEFORE ME, personally appeared ROS to be the person described in <u>FERSON</u> dentification, who after being dust says that he executed the foregoing instrument me that he executed same for the purposes here	or has presented valid by sworn by me, deposes and and acknowledged to and before
WITNESS my hand and official seal this and State aforesaid.	,
	(Signed) Owan Chappeer Notary Public
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STATE OF FLORIDA COUNTY OF <u>BRADFORD</u>	VIVIAN O CHAPPELL MY COMMISSION # DD766055 EXPIRES April 03, 2012  (407) 398-0153 Florida Notary Service.com
BEFORE ME, personally appeared Anna the person described in Ferses or has	a Clayton, to me will know to be
who after being duly swor	n by me deposes and says that
she executed the foregoing instrument and ack she executed same for the purposes herein exp	nowledged to and before me that

WITNESS my hand and official seal this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of April, 2009. County

**Notary Public** 

and State aforesaid.