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TO: Registration Section
Division of Corporations

SUBJECT: The Shield Foundation, Incorporated
(Name of Corporation - must include suffix)

Dear Sir or Madam:

The enclosed "Application by Foreign Not for Profit Corporation for Authorization to Conduct its Affairs in Florida", "Certificate of Existence", and check are submitted to register the above referenced not for profit corporation to conduct its affairs in Florida.

Please return all correspondence concerning this matter to the following:

Zechariah P. Stone

(Name of Person)

The Shield Foundation, Inc.

(Firm/Company)

2401 US Hwy 70 SW

(Address)

Hickory, NC 28602

(City/State and Zip Code)

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For further information concerning this matter, please call:

Zechariah P. Stone

(Name of Person)

at (828) 328-6502

(Area Code & Daytime Telephone Number)

MAILING ADDRESS:

Registration Section
Division of Corporations
P.O. Box 6327
Tallahassee, FL 32314

STREET/COURIER ADDRESS:

Registration Section
Division of Corporations
Clifton Building
2661 Executive Center Circle
Tallahassee, FL 32301

Enclosed is a check for the following amount:

☐ \$70.00 Filing Fee

☒ \$78.75 Filing Fee &
Certificate of Status

☐ \$78.75 Filing Fee &
Certified Copy

☐ \$87.50 Filing Fee,
Certificate of Status &
Certified Copy

**APPLICATION BY FOREIGN NOT FOR PROFIT CORPORATION FOR AUTHORIZATION TO
CONDUCT ITS AFFAIRS IN FLORIDA**

IN COMPLIANCE WITH SECTION 617.1503, FLORIDA STATUTES, THE FOLLOWING IS SUBMITTED TO
REGISTER A FOREIGN NOT FOR PROFIT CORPORATION FOR AUTHORIZATION TO CONDUCT ITS AFFAIRS IN
THE STATE OF FLORIDA:

1. The Shield Foundation, Inc.
(Name of corporation: must include the word "INCORPORATED" or "CORPORATION" or words or abbreviations of like import in language as will clearly indicate that it is a corporation instead of a natural person or partnership if not so contained in the name at present. "Company" or "Co." may not be used as a corporate suffix by a nonprofit corporation.)
2. North Carolina 3. 20-0349064
(State or country under the law of which it is incorporated) (FEI number, if applicable)
4. November 5, 2003 5. Perpetual
(Date of Incorporation) (Duration: Year corp. will cease to exist or "perpetual")
6. _____
(Date first conducted affairs in Florida if prior to registration. See sections 617.1501 & 617.1502, F.S., to determine penalty liability.)
7. 2401 US Hwy 70 SW Hickory, NC 28602
(Principal office address)
631 West Lumsden Road Brandon, FL 33511
(Current mailing address)
8. Conducting seminars and budget counseling
(Purpose(s) of corporation authorized in home state or country to be carried out in the state of Florida)
9. Name and street address of Florida registered agent: (P.O. Box NOT acceptable)
Name: Marsha Graves
Office Address: 6507 N. Five Acre Rd.
Plant City Florida 33565
(City) (Zip Code)

10. **Registered agent's acceptance:**
Having been named as registered agent and to accept service of process for the above stated corporation at the place designated in this application, 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 relative to the proper and complete performance of my duties, and I am familiar with and accept the obligations of my position as registered agent.

Marsha L Graves
(Registered agent's signature)

11. Attached is a certificate of existence duly authenticated, not more than 90 days prior to delivery of this application to the Department of State, by the Secretary of State or other official having custody of corporate records in the jurisdiction under the law of which it is incorporated.

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12. Names and addresses of officers and/or directors:

A. DIRECTORS

Chairman: Rusty Shields

Address: PO Box 355

Granite Falls, NC 28630

Vice Chairman: _____

Address: _____

Director: Timothy J. Blanchet

Address: 37 Stillwater Lane

Hickory, NC 28601

Director: Carmela Tomlinson

Address: 3739 Hickory Blvd

Hudson, NC 28638

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B. OFFICERS

President: _____

Address: _____

Vice President: _____

Address: _____

Secretary: Zechariah P. Stone

Address: 2222 9th Ave NE Hickory, NC 28601

Treasurer: Zechariah P. Stone

Address: _____

NOTE: If necessary, you may attach an addendum to the application listing additional officers and/or directors.

13. 

(Signature of Chairman, Vice Chairman, or any officer listed in number 12 of the application)

14. Rusty Shields, Chairman

(Typed or printed name and capacity of person signing application)



NORTH CAROLINA

Department of The Secretary of State

CERTIFICATE OF EXISTENCE

I, ELAINE F. MARSHALL, Secretary of State of the State of North Carolina, do hereby certify that

THE SHIELD FOUNDATION, INC.

is a corporation duly incorporated under the laws of the State of North Carolina, having been incorporated on the 5th day of November, 2003 , with its period of duration being Perpetual.

I FURTHER certify that the said corporation's articles of incorporation are not suspended for failure to comply with the Revenue Act of the State of North Carolina; that the said corporation is not administratively dissolved for failure to comply with the provisions of the North Carolina Nonprofit Corporation Act; and that the said corporation has not filed articles of dissolution as of the date of this certificate.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my official seal at the City of Raleigh, this 31st day of October, 2005

Elaine F. Marshall

Secretary of State