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SUBJECT: Breastfeeding Advocates of Sarasota County, Inc.  
(Proposed corporate name - must include suffix)

Enclosed is an original and one(1) copy of the articles of incorporation and a check for :

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☐ \$78.75  
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FROM: Jennifer L Highland  
Name (Printed or typed)

211 Roberts Rd  
Address

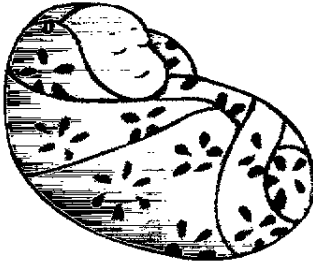
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NOTE: Please provide the original and one copy of the articles.



*Breastfeeding Advocates of  
Sarasota County*

December 29, 1999

Doris Brown  
Document Specialist  
Florida Department of State  
Division of Corporations  
PO Box 6327  
Tallahassee, FL 32314

Dear Ms. Brown,

I am returning the revised original and copy of the articles of incorporation for the Breastfeeding Advocates of Sarasota County. I hope they correct now.  
(Reference Number: W99000026961).

Thank you!

Sincerely,

Jennifer Highland, MPH, RN  
Registered Agent

## ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

### ARTICLE 1. NAME

Section 1. Name. The name of this not-for-profit organization is The Breastfeeding Advocates of Sarasota County, Inc.

### ARTICLE 2. PRINCIPAL OFFICE

Section 1. Office. The office for The Breastfeeding Advocates of Sarasota County, Inc., shall be in Sarasota County at 211 Roberts Road, Nokomis, FL, 34275-3703.

### ARTICLE 3. PURPOSES

Section 1. Purpose. The purpose of Breastfeeding Advocates of Sarasota County is to increase breastfeeding rates in Sarasota County through:

- Analysis and definition of pertinent breastfeeding issues in Sarasota County
- Collection and maintenance of a database of county breastfeeding rates
- Breastfeeding promotion activities
- Education of health care providers and the public
- Resource development
- Advocacy in health policy development
- Development of a community-wide coalition that embraces this mission
- Networking with related organizations with a shared interest
- Fund-raising activities to support meeting these goals

### ARTICLE 4. BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Section 1. Function of the Board. The board of directors for Breastfeeding Advocates of Sarasota County serves as an advisory group to the mission, direction and affairs of this non-profit organization. Each board member brings professional and personal expertise to the recommendations he/or she proposes, and avoids issues of conflict of interest. Board members may serve on committees related to their areas of expertise.

The board has the fundamental responsibility for self management in order to run efficiently.

Section 2. Board Constituency. The board of directors of Breastfeeding Advocates of Sarasota County will consist of eight individuals, the four officers of Breastfeeding Advocates of Sarasota County and the following:

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- I. A business liaison from the community — advises the board on business and financial issues of the organization.
- II. Three health care providers (a physician or his/her designated nurse practitioner or certified nurse-midwife) representing obstetrics/gynecology, pediatrics, and family practice in Sarasota County — advises the board on issues related to maternal child health care management. Plays an active role in representing Breastfeeding Advocates of Sarasota County to respective professional cohorts and assists in projects related to breastfeeding advocacy in health care policy development.
- III. Member-at-large — a representative of the community.

Section 3. Appointment of Board of Directors (who are not current officers). Breastfeeding Advocates of Sarasota County members will develop a slate of potential candidates for I, II, and III above. The president and vice president will invite prospective candidates to serve on the board for a two year term, providing each with a "Board Manual" which contains at least the history and mission of Breastfeeding Advocates of Sarasota County, Articles of Incorporation and bylaws, organization fact sheet, financial information, and lists of members' and board of directors' names and brief biographies.

Section 4. Terms. Board members may serve two two-year terms consecutively with a one year hiatus before another appointment.

Section 5. Conflict of Interest. In the event of conflict of interest, the board member will abstain from voting on that issue and state the reason at the time of the vote.

Section 6. Removal. Removal of board members — By 4/7 vote, the board of directors can remove any board member if their actions are contrary to the purposes of Breastfeeding Advocates of Sarasota County and injurious to the organization.

Section 7. Vacancies. The board of directors will replace any board member who vacates the board due to death, resignation, removal, disqualification or otherwise, for the unexpired portion of the term.

## **ARTICLE 5. INITIAL REGISTERED AGENT AND STREET ADDRESS**

Jennifer L. Highland, MPH, RN  
211 Roberts Road  
Nokomis, FL 34275-3703

## ARTICLE 6. INCORPORATORS

Jennifer L. Highland, MPH, RN  
211 Roberts Road  
Nokomis, FL 34275-3703

Janis Blowers  
3077 6<sup>th</sup> Street  
Sarasota, FL 34237

Janis Blowers  
Signature/Incorporator

25 OCT 99  
Date

Jennifer L. Highland  
Signature/Incorporator

October 25, 1999  
Date

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.

Jennifer L. Highland  
Signature/Registered Agent

October 25, 1999  
Date

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