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# March 27, 2000

## <u>CERTIFIED MAIL</u> RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Department of State Division of Corporations P.O. Box 6327 Tallahassee, Florida 32314

Re: Articles of Incorporation

Bonita Springs Speakers Assembly, Inc.

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Dear Madam/Sir:

We represent Bonita Springs Speakers Assembly, Inc., a not-for-profit corporation to be formed under the laws of the State of Florida. Pursuant to the Florida Not For Profit Corporation Act, enclosed please find Articles of Incorporation. Please file the Articles of Incorporation. We have enclosed a check in the amount of \$70.00 payable to the "Department of State" to cover the applicable filing fees.

As soon as the document is filed, please forward a copy of the filed Articles of Incorporation and all other documentation confirming and relating to this filing to our office. A copy of the Articles of Incorporation are enclosed for your convenience.

We appreciate your assistance in this matter. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact our office.

Very truly yours,

BOND, SCHOENECK & KING, P.A.

William L. Owens

WLO/acb Enclosures

cc: Mr. Thomas A. Bringardner, Jr. (w/ enc.)

Frank Patyi, Esq. (w/enc.)

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### ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

OF

### BONITA SPRINGS SPEAKERS ASSEMBLY, INC.

[A Florida Not for Profit Corporation]

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# ARTICLE I. NAME

The name of the Corporation is:

Bonita Springs Speakers Assembly, Inc.

## ARTICLE II. PRINCIPAL OFFICE AND MAILING ADDRESS

The street address of the initial principal office is at 25071 Chamber of Commerce Drive, Bonita Springs, Florida 34135. The initial mailing address of the Corporation is 25071 Chamber of Commerce Drive, Bonita Springs, Florida 34135.

## ARTICLE III. PURPOSES

The purposes for which the Corporation is to be formed are to:

- (a) Provide an array of speakers from corporate, professional, government, educational, media and entertainment sectors of the nation;
- (b) Inform members of the current situations which exist on the national and international scene;
  - (c) Establish standards of educational and cultural excellence:
- (d) Create a relationship with educational institutions to expose students to worldwide careers and opportunities; and
- (f) Do any other act or thing incidental to or connected with the foregoing purposes or in advancement thereof, but not for the pecuniary profit or financial gain of its members, directors, or officers.

## ARTICLE IV. MANNER OF ELECTION OF DIRECTORS

The method of electing Directors of the Corporation shall be set forth in the bylaws.

# ARTICLE V. MEMBERS

The Corporation shall have members as set forth in the bylaws.

# ARTICLE VI. INITIAL REGISTERED AGENT AND STREET ADDRESS

The street address of the Corporation's initial registered office is 9200 Bonita Beach Road, Suite 204, Bonita Springs, Florida 34135. The name of the initial registered agent of the Corporation at that address is John D. Spear.

## ARTICLE VII. INCORPORATOR

The name and address of the sole incorporator to these Articles of Incorporation is:

Thomas A. Bringardner Jr.

26790 South Tamiami Trail Bonita Springs, Florida 34134

## ARTICLE VIII. PROHIBITION OF PRIVATE INUREMENT

The Corporation has not been formed for pecuniary profit or financial gain, and no part of the assets, income, or profit of the Corporation is distributable to or inures to the benefit of its members, directors, or officers. No part of the net earnings nor any distribution of assets on dissolution will inure to the benefit of any member, trustee, director, officer, or private individual except that reasonable compensation may be paid for personal services rendered to or for the benefit of the Corporation affecting one or more of its purposes, and no member, trustee, director, shareholder, officer, or private individual shall be entitled to share in the distribution of any of the assets on dissolution of the Corporation.

#### ARTICLE IX. LIABILITY OF DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS

Except as required by Florida law, Directors and Officers of the Corporation shall not be personally liable to the Corporation or its members for monetary damages because of their breach of duty as directors and officers.

## ARTICLE X. AMENDMENTS

The Corporation reserves the right, by the affirmative vote of the Corporation's Board of Directors, to amend or repeal any provision or provisions contained in these Articles of Incorporation or any amendment to them in any manner which does not contravene the purposes of the Corporation as stated herein and which would not adversely affect the Corporation's status as an organization qualifying under Section 501(c)(6) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned, being the sole incorporator of the Corporation, has signed these Articles of Incorporation on this 2.7 day of March, 2000.

Thomas A. Bringardhen Jr.

Sole Incorporator

STATE OF FLORIDA

COUNTY OF Lee

) ss.:

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this day of March, 2000 by Thomas A. Bringardner Jr., who is personally known to me (or [] who produced as identification) and who acknowledged to and before me that he executed the instrument for the purposes therein expressed.

WILLIAM F. KENNEDY MY COMMISSION # CC 639850 EMPIRES: May 3, 2001

Notary Public My Commission Expires: 5[3[0]]

#### ACCEPTANCE BY REGISTERED AGENT

The undersigned hereby accepts the appointment as registered agent of Bonita Spring Speakers Assembly, Inc., which is contained in the foregoing Articles of Incorporation. I am familiar with, and accept, the obligations of my position as registered agent.

Dated this 22nd day of March, 2000.

John D. Spear Registered Agent