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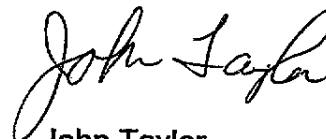
Re: Articles of Incorporations

To Whom It May Concern:

Enclosed is the original and one copy of Articles of Incorporation of Education Foundation of Polk Education Association, Inc. Also enclosed is a check for \$78.75 payable to Secretary of State and a self-addressed stamp envelope for the certified copy to be mailed to me.

In advance, thank you for your attention to this matter. Certainly, if you have any questions or require any additional information, please give me a call at the above number.

Sincerely,



John Taylor  
President

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Enclosures

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**ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION**  
**OF**  
**EDUCATION FOUNDATION OF**  
**POLK EDUCATION ASSOCIATION, INC.**

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The undersigned, acting as incorporators of a corporation pursuant to Chapter 617, Florida Statutes (1990), adopt the following articles of incorporation and state as follows:

**ARTICLE I**

Name

The name of the corporation is "Education Foundation of Polk Education Association, Inc.". The initial principal place of business and mailing address will be 730 East Davidson Street, Bartow, Florida 33830.

**ARTICLE II**

Duration

This corporation shall have perpetual duration.

**ARTICLE III**

Purpose

This corporation is organized for the purpose of developing and expanding the educational opportunities for children who are the offspring of Polk Education Association members and to fund classroom grants and scholarships for employees who are seeking degrees to become members of the teacher's bargaining unit in Polk County, Florida. Members in good standing of the Polk Education Association, a tax exempt organization pursuant to Section 501(c) (8) of the Internal Revenue code, as amended, whose offspring satisfy scholastic requirements and attend accredited post-secondary institutions of learning, are entitled to permit such offspring to apply and compete for scholarship benefits to be paid directly to the institution's financial office to be applied to tuition, books and other educational costs. Employees in good standing of the School Board of Polk County who satisfy scholastic requirements and attend accredited post-

secondary institutions for the purpose of becoming educators are also entitled to apply and compete for scholarship benefits to be paid directly to the institution's financial office to be applied to tuition, books and other educational costs. In furtherance of such objectives, the corporation is authorized to solicit and receive private and public contributions to provide funds for the administration of the aforesaid educational assistance and to receive and maintain a fund or funds of real or personal property, or both, and to use and apply the whole or any part of the income therefrom and the principal thereof exclusively for charitable, literary or educational purposes either directly or by contribution to other organizations which qualify as exempt organizations pursuant to Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, as amended.

#### **ARTICLE IV**

##### **Membership**

The membership in this corporation shall consist of the Board of Directors and any other persons who may be admitted as members in accordance with the By-Laws of the corporation.

#### **ARTICLE V**

##### **Registered Agent**

The street address of the initial registered office of the corporation is:

730 East Davidson Street  
Bartow, Florida 33830

The name of the initial registered agent is

John Taylor

#### **ARTICLE VI**

##### **Board of Directors**

The affairs of this corporation shall be managed by a governing board called the Board of Directors. Members of the Board of Directors shall be appointed by the President of the Polk Education Association and need not be members of that organization. The Board of Directors may select an executive committee and other officers in accordance with the By-Laws. The corporation may provide in its By-Laws for ex-officio members to serve on the Board. Such ex-officio members shall have the powers enumerated in the By-Laws of the corporation. The initial Board of Directors shall consist of the following persons:

## ARTICLE X

### By-Laws

The By-Laws of the corporation may be made, altered or rescinded from time to time at any regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the corporation upon a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the Directors present and voting provided that written notice of any proposed amendment has been given to the Directors not later than the previous meeting of the Board of Directors and provided, further, that no change shall be made which will adversely affect this corporation's tax exempt status.

## Article XI

### Amendment to Articles of Incorporation

These articles of incorporation may be amended from time to time at any regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the corporation upon a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the directors present and voting provided that written notice of each proposed amendment has been given to the Directors not later than the previous meeting of the Board of Directors.

## Article XII

### Initial Incorporators

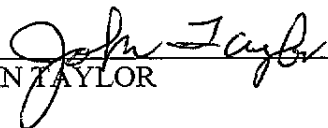
The names and addressees of the initial incorporators are as follows:

John Taylor  
730 East Davidson Street  
Bartow, Florida 33830

Bill Curtis  
730 East Davidson Street  
Bartow, Florida 33830

Ruth Meinke  
730 East Davidson Street  
Bartow, Florida 33830

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, the undersigned, being the incorporators of this corporation, have executed these articles of incorporation on this 23 day of March, 2000.

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
JOHN TAYLOR

John Taylor, Chairperson  
Pat Ross  
Perry Blocker  
Bob Grizzard

Csea Conner  
Marty Hancock  
Robert Smith  
Seretha Tinsley

All located at: 730 East Davidson Street  
Bartow, Florida 33830

## **ARTICLE VII**

### **Non-Stock**

This corporation is organized on a non-stock basis.

## **ARTICLE VIII**

### **Dissolution**

In the event of dissolution of this corporation, the residual assets of the organization will be turned over to one or more organizations which themselves are exempt as organization described in Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, as amended and which, in the opinion of the Board of Directors, may best advance the purpose of this corporation. No assets of the corporation shall be paid or inure to the benefit of any member of the corporation or the Polk Education Association.

## **ARTICLE IX**

### **Officers**

The officers of the corporation shall be the Chairperson, Secretary and Treasurer. The officers shall perform such duties and hold office for such terms as shall be provided in the By-Laws of the corporation. The names of the officers who shall serve until the next election prescribed by the By-Laws are as follows:

John Taylor-Chairperson  
Ruth Meinke-Secretary  
Bill Curtis-Treasurer

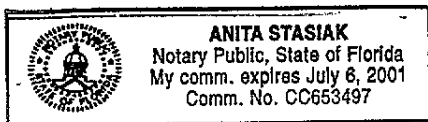
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BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, personally appeared John Taylor, Bill Curtis and Ruth Meinke, to me well known to be persons who executed the foregoing articles of incorporation and they acknowledged before me, according to law, that they made and subscribed the same for the purposes therein mentioned and set forth.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and seal on this 23  
day of March, 2000



Anita Stasiak  
NOTARY PUBLIC

My Commission Expires:

ACCEPTANCE BY REGISTERED AGENT

Having been named to accept service of process for the above stated corporation, at the place designated in this certificate, I hereby agree to act in this capacity, and I further agree to comply with the provisions of all states relative to the proper and complete performance of my duties and I accept the obligations and duties of Section 607.0505, Florida Statutes and agree to maintain an office at 730 East Davidson Street, Bartow, Florida 33830.

John Taylor  
JOHN TAYLOR  
Registered Agent  
730 East Davidson Street  
Bartow, Florida 33830