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Re: TAYLOR COUNTY SCHOOL READINESS COALITION, INC.

Dear Sir or Madam:

Enclosed herewith for processing are the original and one copy of the proposed Articles of Incorporation for the above referenced corporation, together with a check in the amount of \$78.75 to cover the necessary charges.

If further information or monies are required, please contact our office. We would appreciate your returning to this firm a certified copy of the Articles of Incorporation.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Sincerely, MICHAEL S. SMITH

By: Charlie Williams

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ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

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SECRETARY OF STATE TALLAHASSEE, FLORIDA

TAYLOR COUNTY SCHOOL READINESS COALITION, INC.

The undersigned, acting as the incorporator for the purpose of forming a not for profit corporation, pursuant to Chapter 617 of the Florida Statutes, adopts the following Articles of Incorporation:

ARTICLE 1

NAME

The name of the Corporation is TAYLOR COUNTY SCHOOL READINESS COALITION, INC.

ARTICLE II

PRINCIPAL OFFICE AND MAILING ADDRESS

The initial mailing address of the principal place of business of this corporation in the State of Florida is: 524 East Lafayette Street, Perry, Florida 32347.

ARTICLE III

PURPOSE

The purposes for which the corporation is organized are as follows:

- A. Prepare preschool children (0-5) to enter kindergarten ready to learn, as measured by the criteria established by the Florida Partnership for School Readiness.
- B. Provide extended-day, extended-year services to the maximum extent possible to meet the needs of parents who work.
 - C. Coordinate staff development and teaching opportunities.
- D. Provide expanded access to community services and resources for families to help achieve economic self-sufficiency.

- E. Provide a simplified point of entry and unified waiting list.
- F. Serve at least as many children as were served prior to the implementation of the School Readiness Program.
- G. Develop a community plan to address the needs of all eligible children and the quality of service.
 - H. Meet all state licensing guidelines, where applicable.

ARTICLE IV

TERM

Corporate existence shall commence upon filing these Articles of Incorporation with the Secretary of State and the term of the Corporation shall be perpetual.

ARTICLE V

POWERS

The Corporation shall have all of the common law and statutory powers of a corporation not for profit pursuant to the laws of the State of Florida that are not in conflict with the terms of these Articles; provided, however, that notwithstanding any other provision of these Articles, the Corporation shall not carry on an activities not permitted to be carried on by an organization exempt from federal income tax pursuant to Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law.

ARTICLE VI

LIMITATIONS

The Corporation shall be operated exclusively for charitable and educational purposes as a nonprofit corporation. No individual trustee or member of the corporation shall have any title to or interest in the corporate property or earnings in his or her individual or private capacity and no part of the net earnings of the corporation shall inure to the benefit of any director, trustee, officer,

member or any private shareholder or individual. No substantial part of the activities of the corporation shall consist of carrying on propaganda or otherwise attempt to influence legislation, nor shall the corporation participate or intervene in any political campaign on behalf of (or in opposition to) any candidate for public office.

ARTICLE VII

MEMBERS

Qualification for membership in the Corporation, the manner of members' admission and membership voting rights shall be provided for in the Bylaws of the Corporation.

ARTICLE VIII

TRUSTEES

- (a) Powers: All corporate powers shall be exercised by or under the authority of, and the affairs of the Corporation shall be managed under the direction of the Board of Trustees.
- (b) Number: The number of trustees shall be determined from time to time in accordance with the Bylaws, but shall never be less than three trustees, and, in the absence of any such determination, shall be three trustees.
- (c) Election; Removal: Trustees shall be elected or removed in accordance with the procedure provided in the Bylaws.
- (d) Initial Trustees: The names and address of the initial trustees to hold office until the first annual meeting of members and until their successors shall have been elected and qualified are as follows:

NAME AND ADDRESS

CAROLYN C. DEMPS 524 East Lafayette Street Perry, Florida 32347 DEBORAH HUMPHRIES 524 East Lafayette Street Perry, Florida 32347

VELMA HINGSON 524 East Lafayette Street Perry, Florida 32347

ARTICLE IX

REGISTERED AGENT AND OFFICE

The street address of the registered office of the Corporation in the State of Florida is 524 East Lafayette Street, Perry, Florida 32347, and the name of its initial registered agent at such address shall be CAROLYN C. DEMPS. The mailing address of the corporation is 524 East Lafayette Street, Perry, Florida 32347.

ARTICLE X

INCORPORATOR

The name and post office address of the incorporator signing these Article of Incorporation is: CAROLYN C. DEMPS, 524 East Lafayette Street, Perry, Florida 32347

ARTICLE XI

BYLAWS

The Bylaws of the Corporation are to be made and adopted by the Board of Trustees and may be altered, amended or rescinded by the Board of Trustees.

ARTICLE XII

AMENDMENT

The Corporation reserves the right to amend or repeal any provision contained in these Articles of Incorporation or any amendment to them, and all rights and privileges conferred upon the Members, Trustees and Officers are subject to this reservation. The Articles of Incorporation may be amended in accordance with the provisions of the laws of the State of Florida, as amended from time to time, unless more specific provisions for amendments are adopted by the Corporation pursuant to law.

ARTICLE XIII

DISSOLUTION

In the event of dissolution, the residual assets of the Corporation shall be turned over to one or more organizations which themselves are exempt from federal income tax as organizations described in Section 501(c)(3) of the internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended or the corresponding provisions of any future United States Internal Revenue Law, or to the federal, state or local government for exclusively public purposes.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has executed these Articles of Incorporation this

313 day of May, 2000.

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STATE OF FLORIDA, COUNTY OF TAYLOR,

Before me, personally appeared CAROLYN C. DEMPS, the person described in and who executed the foregoing Articles of Incorporation, and she acknowledged to and before me that he executed said instrument for the purposes therein expressed.

WITNESS my hand and official seal, this _3 day of May, 2000.

LYDIA L WILLIAMS

MY COMMISSION # CC 871772

EXPIRES: September 19, 2003

Bonded Thru Notary Public Underwriters

ACCEPTANCE BY REGISTERED AGENT

The undersigned hereby accepts the appointment as Registered Agent of TAYLOR COUNTY SCHOOL READINESS COALITION, INC. which is contained in the foregoing Articles of Incorporation.

Dated this 3rd day of May, 2000.

AROLYNIC. DEMPS

Registered Agent

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