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

EFFECTIVE DATE
12/19/00

SUBJECT: Clay/Nassau School Readiness Coalition, Inc.
(PROPOSED CORPORATE NAME - MUST INCLUDE SUFFIX)

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

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☐ \$78.75
Filing Fee &
Certificate of
Status

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Filing Fee
& Certified Copy

☒ \$87.50
Filing Fee,
Certified Copy
& Certificate

89.50
(2 extra pages)

ADDITIONAL COPY REQUIRED

FROM: Susan Wilkinson, Ph.D.
Name (Printed or typed)

100 Bell Tel Way, Suite 100
Address

Jacksonville, FL 32216
City, State & Zip

904-726-1500
Daytime Telephone number

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**ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION
OF THE
CLAY/NASSAU SCHOOL READINESS COALITION, INC.**

EFFECTIVE DATE
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A corporation not for profit, organized pursuant to the provisions of chapter 617.01 et. al. of the Florida Statutes.

ARTICLE I

NAME

The name of this corporation shall be the **CLAY/NASSAU SCHOOL READINESS COALITION, INC.**

ARTICLE II

CORPORATE EXISTENCE

This corporation is activated effective as of Dec. 19, 2000.

ARTICLE III

PRINCIPAL PLACE OF BUSINESS AND MAILING ADDRESS

The principal place of business shall be in the City of Jacksonville, Duval County, Florida; and the mailing address shall be:

**Clay/Nassau County School Readiness Coalition, Inc.
c/o Dr. Susan Wilkinson, Chairman of the Coalition
Episcopal Children Services, Inc.
100 Bell Tel Way, Suite 100
Jacksonville, FL 32216**

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ARTICLE IV

PURPOSES

The purpose for which this corporation is organized are:
This corporation is organized exclusively for charitable and educational purposes within the meaning of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 (including as hereafter amended).

1. Without limiting the generalities of the foregoing, this corporation is organized pursuant to the purposes of chapter 411.01 of the Florida Statutes, *Handicap or High-Risk Condition Prevention and Early Childhood Assistance* for the following purposes:
 - a) To design, operate, and manage with Florida Partnership for School Readiness programs to increase opportunities for the children of Clay and Nassau Counties to achieve future educational success with prospects for becoming productive members of society;
 - b) To operate in conjunction with the district school systems, but not be construed as a part of the system of free public schools;
 - c) To build upon existing services and work in cooperation with other programs for young children;
 - d) And, to incorporate fully with all other provisions of chapter 411.01 of the Florida Statutes as prescribed by law.
2. To make distributions to other organizations that qualify as exempt organizations under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

ARTICLE V

MANNER OF APPOINTMENT OF DIRECTORS

- A. The manner in which the initial eighteen (18) directors, but not more (25), are appointed is in accordance with section 411.01,ss.(5) *Creation of School Readiness Coalitions*
 1. Department of Children and Families District Administrator
 2. District Superintendent of Schools

3. Regional Workforce Development board chair or director, where applicable
4. County health department director or his or her designee
5. A children's services council or juvenile welfare board chair or executive director, if applicable
6. A child care licensing agency head
7. One member appointed by a Department of Children and Families District Administrator
8. One member appointed by a board of county commissioners
9. A central child care agency administrator
10. A head start director
11. A representative of private child care providers
12. A representative of faith-based child care providers

More than one-third of the coalition members must be from the private sector, and neither they nor their families may earn an income from the early education and child care industry. To meet this requirement, the coalition must appoint additional members from a list of nominees presented to the coalition by the chambers of commerce or economic development councils within the geographic area of the coalition.

- B. Each coalition member shall serve a term of three years.
- C. Any vacancies occurring on the board shall be filled in the following manner:
 1. Where a director to be replaced is assigned pursuant to statute, the chairperson shall make a formal request to the statutory agency to replace said director.

2. Where a director to be replaced is not assigned pursuant to statute, the nominating committee shall receive applications for membership from qualified candidates to be presented to the board for approval.

Method of election of directors is as stated in the bylaws.

ARTICLE VI

LIMITATION ON CORPORATION POWERS

The corporate powers of the corporation are provided in section 617.0302, Florida Statutes, except that the corporation may not engage, either directly, indirectly, or through related or affiliated entities, in activities inconsistent with the purposes in section 411.01-411.205, Florida Statutes. Further, no part of the net earnings of the corporation shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to its members, trustees, officers, or other private persons, except that the corporation shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of the purpose set forth in ARTICLE IV hereof. No substantial part of the activities of the corporation shall be the carrying on of propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and the corporation shall not participate in, or intervene in (including the publishing or distribution of statements) any political campaign on behalf of or in opposition to any candidate for public office.

Notwithstanding any other provision of these articles, the corporation shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on (a) by a corporation exempt from federal income tax under section 501(c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code, or (b) by a corporation, contributions to which are deductible under section 170(c) (2) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

ARTICLE VII

INITIAL REGISTERED AGENT AND STREET ADDRESS

The name and street address of the initial registered agent is:

**Dr. Susan Wilkinson, Chairman of the Coalition/CEO
Episcopal Children Services, Inc.
100 Bell Tel Way, Suite 100
Jacksonville, FL 32216**

ARTICLE VIII

INCORPORATOR

The name and street address of the incorporator is:

**Dr. Susan Wilkinson, Chairman of the Coalition/ CEO
Episcopal Children Services, Inc.
100 Bell Tel Way, Suite 100
Jacksonville, FL 32216**

ARTICLE IX

INITIAL DIRECTORS

The initial Board of Directors shall consist of the following members who will serve for a term of three years. The name and addresses of the initial Directors are as follows:

Dr. Susan Wilkinson
Coalition Chair/CEO of Coalition
Episcopal Children's Services, Inc.
100 Bell Tel Way, Suite 100
Jacksonville, FL 32216
(904) 726-1500

Ms. Mary Bethea, Vice Chairman of Coalition
Director Elementary Education
Clay County School District
23 South Green Street
Green Cove Springs, FL 32043
(904) 272-8100, ext. 577

Ms. Elizabeth Ira Williams, Treasurer of the Coalition
3189 Doctors Lake Drive
Orange Park, FL 32073

(904) 269-6720

Mr. Bruce Bickner, Secretary of the Coalition
Attorney at Law
Bickner and Delves
1406 Kingsley Avenue
Orange Park, FL 32073
(904) 278-5100

Mr. Lee Johnson
C/o Designee – Ms. Betty Carley
Assistant Administrator, District IV
Florida Department of Children and Families
P. O. Box 2417
Jacksonville, FL 32231-0063
(904) 723-2050

Mr. David Owens, Superintendent
c/o Designee Ms. Diane Lange
Clay County School District
900 Walnut Street
Green Cove Springs, FL 32043
(904) 272-8100, ext. 510

Ms. Lenora Gregory, Head Start Director
Episcopal Children's Services, Inc.
100 Bell Tel Way, Suite 100
Jacksonville, FL 32216
(904) 726-1500

Mr. Lynn Grafel, President
First Coast Development Board
2141 Loch Rane Boulevard
Orange Park, FL 32073
(904) 213-3050

Ms. Connie Tharp, Director of Nursing
Clay County Health Department
P. O. Box 578
Green Cove Springs, FL 32043-0578
(904) 284-6340, ext. 165

Dr. Mary Williams, County Extension Director
University of Florida
972 Kings Road
Callahan, FL 32011
(904) 879-2097

Ms. Nancy Corley, Director of Licensing
Florida Department of Children and Families
P. O. Box 2417

Jacksonville, FL 32331-0083
(904) 723-5316

Mr. Jim Northey, Director of Instruction
Nassau County School Board
1201 Atlantic Avenue
Fernandina Beach, FL 32034
(904) 321-5804

Ms Paige Degryse, Director
CCR Lighthouse Learning Center
550 Kingsley Avenue
Orange Park, FL 32073
(904) 264-7392

Reverend Christopher Martin
St. Mary's Episcopal Church
400 St. John's Avenue
Green Cove Springs, FL 32043
(904) 284-5434

Ms. Sharon Quarterman
Jack and Jill Preschool First Baptist Church
416 Alachua Street
Fernandina Beach, FL 32034
(904) 261-0881

Ms. Mary Lou Whittlesey
3268 Wilderness Circle
Middleburg, FL 32068
(904) 282-4663

Ms. Cindy Blinson, President
First Coast Realty
P. O. Box 1213
Callahan, FL 32011
(904) 879-1008

Ms. Delores Unsicker
Director of Special Projects, Dept.
Of Pediatrics
University of Florida
653 West 8th Street
Jacksonville, FL 32209
(904) 244 -6191

Ms. Sherry Klein
PMB 116
1417 Sadler Road
Fernandina Beach, FL 32034
(904) 415- 0332

Ms. Sandra Price
2763 Long Boat Drive
Fernandina Beach, FL 32034

Mr. Michael Lisle, Executive Director
Communities in Schools of Nassau County
P. O. Box 501
Fernandina Beach, FL 32035
(904) 321-2000

Mr. John Ruis, Superintendent
c/o Ms. Iris Coleman
Nassau County School Board
1201 Atlantic Avenue
Fernandina Beach, FL 32034
(904) 321-5880

Ms. Marie Rieley, Director of Nursing
c/o Ms. Kim Geib
Nassau County Health Department
P. O Box 517
Fernandina Beach, FL 32035
(904) 277-7287

Ms. Phyllis Renninger, CEO
Grant Development Management
2347 Oak Court
Orange Park, FL 32073
(904) 264-5121

ARTICLE X

REMOVAL OF DIRECTORS FOR NEGLECT OF DUTY

Each board member is accountable to the Governor for proper performance of duties as a member of the board. The Governor may remove from office any board member for neglect of duty.

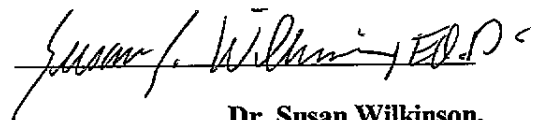
ARTICLE XI

DISSOLUTION

Upon the dissolution of the corporation, assets shall be distributed for one or more exempt purposes within the meaning of section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code, or shall be distributed to the federal government, or to a state or local government, for a public purposes. Any such assets not so disposed of shall be disposed of by a court of competent jurisdiction of the county in which the principal office of the corporation is located, exclusively for such purposes or to such organization or organizations, as said court shall determine, which are organized and operated exclusively for such purposes.

The undersigned has executed these Articles of Incorporation of the Clay/Nassau School Readiness Coalition, Inc., this 19th day of Dec., 2000.

Signature:



**Dr. Susan Wilkinson,
Chairman of the Coalition/ CEO
Episcopal Children Services, Inc.
100 Bell Tel Way, Suite 100
Jacksonville, FL 32216**

Having been named as registered agent to accept service of process for the above stated corporation at the place designated in this certificate, I am familiar with and accept the appointment as registered agent and agree to act in that capacity.


Dr. Susan Wilkinson

12/18/00
Date

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