

TRANSMITTAL LETTER

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

SUBJECT: The ARK Program 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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Filing Fee

☒ \$78.75
Filing Fee &
Certificate of
Status

☐ \$78.75
Filing Fee
& Certified Copy

☐ \$87.50
Filing Fee,
Certified Copy
& Certificate

ADDITIONAL COPY REQUIRED

FROM: PETER M. BROWNE
Name (Printed or typed)

5535 2nd Ave. Circle W.
Address

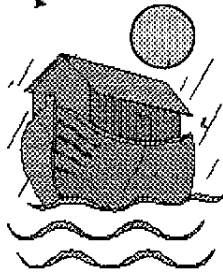
PALMETTO, FL 34221
City, State & Zip

941-721-8854
Daytime Telephone number

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SECRETARY OF STATE
TALLAHASSEE, FLORIDA

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

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The ARK Program

Nurturing the Leaders of the Next Generation

Articles of Incorporation

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ARTICLE I - NAME

The name of the corporation shall be: The ARK Program Inc., hereinafter referred to as ARK.

ARTICLE II - PRINCIPAL OFFICE

The principal place of business and mailing address of this corporation shall be: 5535 2nd Avenue Circle West, Palmetto, FL 34221

ARTICLE III - PURPOSE

The ARK is formed for educational purposes within the meaning of section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. The ARK will provide "at risk" children an educational opportunity designed to supplement their public school curriculum.

SECTION 1. The objectives of ARK are to educate, counsel, mentor, sponsor and inspire "at risk" children to fulfill their highest potential.

ARTICLE IV - BOARD OF DIRECTORS - MANNER OF ELECTION

SECTION 1. The affairs of ARK shall be managed by the Board of Directors, hereinafter designated as the Board, under such rules as the Board may determine, subject to the specific conditions of the Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws.

SECTION 2. The Board shall consist of ARK officers - President, Vice President and Secretary/Treasurer to be elected as specified in the Bylaws.

SECTION 3. The functions of the Board are to:

- (a) Define the specific objectives for accomplishment of the ARK mission.
- (b) Establish the strategic plan for ARK.
- (c) Acquire the resources necessary to execute the strategic plan.
- (d) Approve ARK operating plan.

SECTION 4. The officers shall develop annual operating plans that execute the strategic plan.

SECTION 5. The officers shall take the necessary actions to provide for day-to-day operations and management of ARK. Under this responsibility the officers may, at their option, approve appointment of an administrative staff or approve the subcontracting of the administrative function.

SECTION 6. The officers and directors of ARK shall serve terms of office as defined in the Bylaws.

ARTICLE V - INITIAL DIRECTORS/OFFICERS

The names and addresses:

President - Peter M. Browne, 5535 2nd Avenue Circle West, Palmetto, FL 34221

Vice President - Leo Roper, 5515 US Highway 19, Palmetto, FL 34221

Secretary/Treasurer - Jill M. Browne, 5535 2nd Avenue Circle West, Palmetto, FL 34221

ARTICLE VI - INITIAL REGISTERED AGENT

The name and Florida street address of the registered agent is: Peter M. Browne, 5535 2nd Avenue Circle West, Palmetto, FL 34221

ARTICLE VII – INCORPORATOR

The name and address of the Incorporator is: Peter M. Browne, 5535 2nd Avenue Circle West, Palmetto, FL 34221

ARTICLE VIII - PROGRAM PARTICIPANTS

ARK is focused on providing support for children starting at middle school age. The defining characteristic is simply, children from lower income families who are disadvantaged in terms of opportunity. Within that context, ARK supports the principles of equality, equal opportunity and equal treatment under law. ARK opposes discrimination in any form. ARK is open to all persons, regardless of race, color, national origin, or any other arbitrary method of classification. The ARK does, and will, abide by all governmental regulations relating to equal opportunity and non-discriminatory practices.

ARTICLE IX- BYLAWS

SECTION 1. The Bylaws may be amended by the Board in the manner provided in the Bylaws.

ARTICLE X - AMENDMENTS TO THE ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

SECTION 1. Amendments to this document will be proposed through a Bylaws Committee to be established by the President at the request of a majority of the Board. The articles of amendment must be prepared in compliance with section 617.1006, Florida Statutes and filed in accordance with section 617.01201, Florida Statutes.

SECTION 2. Approval of Amendments requires 2/3 majority vote of the Board.

SECTION 3. A review and update to both these Articles and Bylaws shall be completed within four years after ARK's date of inception. The Board will appoint a committee and provide guidance for this planned upgrade to the Articles and Bylaws.

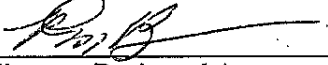
ARTICLE XI - DISSOLUTION

SECTION 1. ARK shall only use its funds to accomplish the objectives and purposes specified in these Articles and Bylaws and no part of its funds shall inure to or be distributed to the officers of ARK. Upon dissolution of ARK, the net assets remaining after payment of all debts shall revert, within ninety days of dissolution, to A Brighter Day of Pineallas County, Inc a 501(c)(3) organization or other qualifying organizations under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

ARTICLE XII - INUREMENT


SECTION 1. The ARK is not organized for pecuniary profit, nor shall it have any power to issue certificates of stock or pay dividends, inure, upon distribution or otherwise, to the private benefit of any person.

Having been named 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 this capacity.



Signature/Registered Agent

1/8/02
Date



Signature/Incorporator
Peter M Browne

1/8/02
Date