

June 8, 2001

Department of State Division of Corporations P. O. Box 6327 Tallahassee, Florida 32399

The Freeport Foundation, Inc. RE:

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Dear Sir or Madam:

Enclosed please find enclosed:

- 1. An original and one copy of the Articles of Incorporation for the above referenced not-for-profit corporation.
- 2. An original THE FREEPORT FOUNDATION, INC. Designation of Registered Agent/Registered Office and Registered Agent's Acceptance.
- 3. A check in the amount of \$78.75 to cover the fees associated with incorporating, designating a registered agent and obtaining a certified, file stamped copy of the Articles of Incorporation.

Please return the certified documents to me at the above address.

Thank you for your assistance.

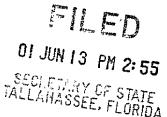
Sincerely.

Nañcy L. Cook

**Enclosures** 

#### ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

OF



## THE FREEPORT FOUNDATION, INC.

### A FLORIDA NOT-FOR-PROFIT CORPORATION

The undersigned, acting as incorporator of a corporation pursuant to Chapter 617, Florida Statutes, adopts the following Articles of Incorporation of such corporation:

### **ARTICLE I - NAME**

The name of the corporation shall be:

THE FREEPORT FOUNDATION, INC.

# ARTICLE II - PRINCIPAL PLACE OF BUSINESS AND MAILING ADDRESS

The principal place of business and mailing address of this corporation shall be:

THE FREEPORT FOUNDATION, INC. 102 14<sup>TH</sup> Street E Bradenton, FL 34208

#### ARTICLE III - PURPOSE

The purposes for which the corporation is organized are exclusively for charitable, religious, educational and scientific purposes, including, for such purposes, the making of distributions to organizations that qualify as exempt organizations under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue code of 1986 (or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law).

No part of the net earnings of the corporation shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to its members, directors, 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 purposes set forth in Article III 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 of 1986 (or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law).

#### ARTICLE IV - MEMBERS AND BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The membership, initially shall consist of all members of the Board of Directors and all those who shall be elected to membership by the Board of Directors. The Board of Directors may from time to time establish qualifications for membership and voting.

#### <u>ARTICLE V - MANNER OF ELECTION OF DIRECTORS</u>

The affairs of the corporation shall be managed by the Board of Directors. The manner in which the directors are elected or appointed shall be that they are appointed by the Board Members during the First Meeting of the Members.

The number constituting the initial Board of Directors of the corporation shall be determined at the First Meeting of the Members.

## **ARTICLE VI - REGISTERED AGENT**

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

FREDERICK N. CLARK 201 14<sup>th</sup> Street E. Bradenton, FL 34208

## **ARTICLE VII - INCORPORATOR**

The name and street address of the sole incorporated for these Articles of Incorporation is:

FREDERICK N. CLARK 201 14<sup>th</sup> Street E. Bradenton, FL 34208

FREDERICK N. CLARK

## CERTIFICATE OF DESIGNATION REGISTERED AGENT/REGISTERED OFFICE

OI JUN 13 PM 2:55 Pursuant to the provisions of Sections 607.0501 or 617.0501, Florida undersigned corporation, organized under the laws of the State of Florida, submits the following statement in designating the registered office/registered agent, in the State of Florida.

1. The name of the corporation is:

THE FREEPORT FOUNDATION, INC.

2. The name and address of the registered agent and office is:

FREDERICK N. CLARK 201 14th Street E **BRADENTON, FL 34208** 

Having been named as Registered Agent and to accept service of process for the above stated corporation at the place designated in this Certificate, I hereby accept the appointment as Registered Agent and agree to act in this capacity. I further agree to comply with the provisions of all statutes relating to the proper an complete performance of my duties, and I am familiar with and accept the obligations of my position as Registered agent.

FREDERICK N. CLARK

Date: June 11, 2001