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# ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF

#### MANATEE TECHNICAL INSTITUTE FOUNDATION, INC.

The undersigned, for the purpose of forming a not for profit corporation under the provisions of Chapter 617 of the Florida Statutes, hereinafter referred to as the Corporation, hereby adopts the following Articles of Incorporation:

#### ARTICLE I - NAME

The name of the Corporation shall be Manatee Technical Institute Foundation, Inc.

#### ARTICLE II - PRINCIPAL PLACE OF BUSINESS AND MAILING ADDRESS

The principal office shall be 1707 71<sup>st</sup> Street Northwest, Bradenton, Florida 34209 and the mailing address of the Corporation shall be P.O. Box 14820, Bradenton, FL 34280.

#### ARTICLE III - PURPOSE AND POWERS

Section 1. The Corporation is formed exclusively for charitable and educational 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, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code and to provide assistance, in any way, to Manatee Technical Institute, or for any lawful activity or business for which not for profit corporations may be incorporated under the laws of the State of Florida. No part of the net earnings of this Corporation shall inure to the benefit of any Director or member of this Corporation.

Section 2. The Corporation may exercise all powers, rights and privileges conferred on corporations pursuant to the laws of the State of Florida.

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#### ARTICLE IV - NON DISCRIMINATION POLICY

Manatee Technical Institute Foundation, Inc. does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national, ethnic or religious origin in administration of its policies, practices, loan programs, and other activities.

#### ARTICLE V - TERM OF EXISTENCE

The corporation shall have perpetual existence.

#### ARTICLE VI - BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Section 1. The business and affairs of the Corporation shall be managed by a Board of Directors, the members of which shall be hereinafter referred to as Directors.

Section 2. The initial Board of Directors of the Corporation shall consist of three (3) Directors, whose names and addresses are as follows:

NAME	ADDRESS
Richard T. Conard	1707 71st Street Northwest, Bradenton, Florida 34209
Kelly Hodges	222 10th Street West, Bradenton, Florida 34205
John Van Zandt	505 25th Street West, Bradenton, Florida 34205

Section 3. The number of Directors shall be as provided in the Bylaws of the Corporation, but shall not be less than three (3).

Section 4. Directors shall be elected and hold office as provided in the Bylaws.

#### ARTICLE VII - BYLAWS

Section 1. The Board of Directors shall adopt Bylaws for the Corporation at a meeting of the Board of Directors following the filing of these Articles of Incorporation.

Section 2. The power to adopt, alter, amend or repeal the Bylaws of the Corporation may be exercised by the Board of Directors of the Corporation in accordance with the provisions of the Bylaws.

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#### ARTICLE VIII - 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, for a public purpose. 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 then 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.

#### ARTICLE XIV- AMENDMENTS

These Articles of Incorporation may be amended as set forth in the Florida Statutes, as amended from time to time.

#### ARTICLE XV - REGISTERED OFFICE AND AGENT

Section 1. The street address of the initial registered office of the Corporation shall be 1206 Manatee Avenue West, Bradenton, Florida 34205.

Section 2. The name of the initial registered agent of the Corporation located at said address shall be Stephen G. Perry.

#### ARTICLE IX - INCORPORATOR

The name and address of the incorporator is:

NAME

ADDRESS

Stephen G. Perry

1206 Manatce Avenue West, Bradenton, Florida 34205

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, for the purpose of forming a corporation under the laws of the State of Florida, the undersigned executed these Articles of Incorporation on this 28 day of May 2002.

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### STATE OF FLORIDA COUNTY OF MANATEE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that on this day, before me, an officer duly authorized in the State aforesaid and in the County aforesaid to take acknowledgments, personally appeared STEPHEN G. PERRY to me known to be the person described in and who executed the foregoing Articles of Incorporation and that he acknowledged before me that he executed the same. I relied upon the following form of identification of the above named person:

following for	m of identification of the above	e named person:
DZ/	who is personally known to	me,
	who produced	as identification.
WITN of May, 2002		l in the County and State last aforesaid thisday
	NOTARY PUBLIC STATE OF FLORIDA Jeannine L. Davis Comm. # DD 56051 Comm. Exp. Dec. 1, 2005	Signature  Print Name

#### ACCEPTANCE

I hereby accept to act as initial Registered Agent for Manatee Technical Institute Foundation, Inc. as stated in these Articles of Incorporation.

STEPHEN G. PERRY

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