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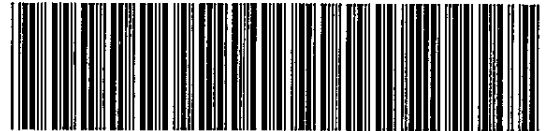
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# CITY OF PORT ST. LUCIE FESTIVAL OF LIGHTS



Frederick Cook, Chairman  
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To Mrs BOBBY Cox

DIV. OF CORPS

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Frederick Cook

**ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION**  
**OF**  
**THE PORT ST. LUCIE FESTIVAL OF LIGHTS COMMITTEE INC.**  
**A FLORIDA NOT-FOR-PROFIT CORPORATOIN**

**ARTICLE I**

**NAME**

The name of this Corporation shall be: **The Port St. Lucie Festival of Lights Committee Inc.** C/O City of Port St. Lucie • Community Relations Department  
121 SW Port St. Lucie Blvd., • Port St. Lucie, FL 34984

**ARTICLE II**

**TERM OF EXISTANCE**

This Corporation shall exist perpetually.

**ARTICLE III**

**PURPOSE**

A. This Corporation is organized exclusively for the purpose of providing enjoyable inexpensive visual and active participation for all of our citizens, within the meaning of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (or any successor section) and for the additional purpose of:

1. Providing visual and active entertainment during the winter holiday season.
2. Obtain and manage donations from the general public to insure the foregoing programs, such funds to be used entirely for these programs.

B. Notwithstanding any other provision contained in these Articles of Incorporation, no substantial part of the Corporation's activities shall consist of attempting to influence legislation by propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence

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legislation in any fashion not permitted under applicable Treasury Regulations. The Corporation shall not participate in, or intervene in (including the publishing or distribution of statements) any political campaign on behalf of any candidate for public office and shall further comply with the requirements of all applicable Treasury Regulations.

C. This Corporation, not for profit, shall have the power to acquire by gift, devise, bequest, purchase, lease or otherwise, and to hold, own, occupy, use, manage, improve, develop, maintain, lease, sell, mortgage, transfer, invest in or reinvest in, or otherwise deal with any real or personal property of whatever kind and description and wherever situated, or with any estate or interest, legal or equitable, in the property, or to borrow money and to make, accept, endorse, execute and issue promissory notes and other obligations in payment for property acquired or money borrowed; and to do all other acts as are necessary or convenient to carry out the purposes set forth in these articles.

D. This Corporation, not for profit may conduct and transact any activity lawfully authorized and not prohibited by Chapter 617, Florida Statutes, entitled "The Florida Not For Profit Corporation Act", as the same may be, from time to time, amended.

#### ARTICLE IV

##### MEMBERSHIP

A. This Corporation is authorized to issue membership in this Corporation as authorized in Section 617.0601 of the Florida Statutes. The qualifications for directors and the manner of their admission will be regulated by the Bylaws of the Corporation.

B. The initial directors and their addresses are:

Frederick Cook  
1552 SE Ladner Street  
Port St. Lucie, Florida 34983

Victor Vale  
3100 SE Pruitt Road  
Port St. Lucie, Florida 37952

Earl Thoms  
802 SE Walters Ter.  
Port St. Lucie, Florida 34983

Joseph Zobay  
1756 Fairfield Street  
Port St. Lucie, Florida 34983

Martha Clements  
4311 SE Brittney Ct.  
Port St. Lucie, Florida 34952

Michael Ferrara  
1491 Ashville Court  
Port St. Lucie, Florida 34952

David Lee  
1771 SE Fairfield Street  
Port St. Lucie, Florida 34983

## ARTICLE V

### AMENDMENTS

These Articles of Incorporation may be amended in the manner provided by law. Every amendment shall be approved by the Board of Directors, proposed to them by the members and approved at a membership's meeting by at least a majority of the membership entitled to vote, unless all of the directors and all of the members sign a written statement manifesting their intention that a certain amendment of these Articles of Incorporation are made.

## ARTICLE VI

### LIMITATION ON THE DISTRIBUTION OF CORPORATE ASSETS AND NET EARNINGS

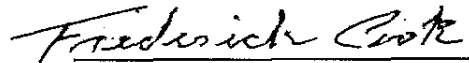
A. No part of the Corporation's net earnings shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to, its directors, members, officers or other private individuals as prescribed in applicable Treasury Regulations, provided; however, the Corporation is authorized

and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of the purposes of this Corporation.

B. In the event of the Corporation's dissolution, the Corporation's residual assets will be (i) distributed for one or more exempt purposes for which this Corporation was organized, (ii) turned over to one or more organizations which themselves are exempt as organizations described in Sections 501(c)(3) and 170(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, or Successor Sections, or (iii) distributed to Federal, State, or local government exclusively for public purposes.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, the undersigned incorporator has executed these Articles of Incorporation this 17<sup>th</sup> day of JUNE, 2003.

I ACCEPT DESIGNATION AS REGISTERED AGENT.



Frederick Cook - INCORPORATOR  
Registered Agent  
1552 SE Ladner Street  
Port St. Lucie, Florida 34983

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