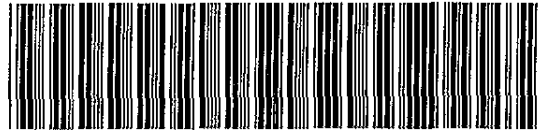


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*Pursuant to the provisions of section 617.1006, Florida Statutes, the undersigned Florida nonprofit corporation adopts the following articles of amendment to its articles of incorporation.*

**FIRST:** Amendment(s) adopted: (INDICATE ARTICLE NUMBER (S) BEING AMENDED, ADDED OR DELETED.)

Article II - added information

Article VII (e) added

Article IX - added information

These amendments were recommended by  
the Internal Revenue Service.

**SECOND:** The date of adoption of the amendment(s) was: 11-19-03

**THIRD:** Adoption of Amendment (CHECK ONE)

- ☒ The amendment(s) was(were) adopted by the members and the number of votes cast for the amendment was sufficient for approval.
- ☐ There are no members or members entitled to vote on the amendment. The amendment(s) was(were) adopted by the board of directors.

Cari Wheat  
Signature of Chairman, Vice Chairman, President or other officer

Cari Wheat  
Typed or printed name

President / Founder  
Title

11-21-03  
Date

Articles of Incorporation of  
BFOCASD Incorporated  
A Florida Not for Profit Organization

Article I

Name

The name of the corporation is BFOCASD Incorporated.  
BFOCASD stands for Brevard Families of Children with Autistic Spectrum Disorders  
(hereinafter "BFOCASD")

Article II

Statement of Corporate Nature

The undersigned, acting as incorporator of a not for profit corporation pursuant to the Florida Not For Profit Corporation Act set forth in Part I of Chapter 617 of the Florida Statutes. BFOCASD shall exist in perpetuity unless dissolved.

BFOCASD is organized 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, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

Article III

Purpose

The following are the purposes for which BFOCASD Incorporated has been organized to provide: support and assistance to families and educators of children and adults with Autistic Spectrum Disorders or similar disabilities (including Attention Deficit with or without Hyperactivity and Sensory Integration Disorder, etc.); charitable services and classes for the families; current information valuable to those who have, live with, or who work with children and adults who have these disabilities; learning opportunities for families of children and adults with the aforementioned disabilities; recreational and social skill opportunities for adults and children who have these types of disabilities or

for those who live with children and adults who have these types of disabilities; job skill and interview classes to help the individuals become successful and independent members of society.

#### Article IV

##### Agent of BFOCASD

The mailing address of the initial registered office of BFOCASD is Cari Wheat, 743 Conestee Dr., West Melbourne, Florida 32904.

#### Article V

##### Initial Board of Directors

There shall be eight directors constituting the initial Board of Directors. Officers will be chosen from the Board of Directors as described in the BFOCASD Bylaws.

The name and address of the initial Board of Directors are as follows:

Cari R. Wheat  
743 Conestee Dr.  
West Melbourne, Florida 32904

Tammy L. Rodriguez  
806 Preakness Dr.  
West Melbourne, Florida 32904

Victoria A. Gargano  
535 Sedgewood Cr.  
West Melbourne, Florida 32904

Melanie L. Demmler  
391 Neptune Dr. N.E.  
Palm Bay, Florida 32907

Karen A. Biamonte  
706 Endicott Rd.

Melbourne, Florida 32940

Nicole B. Cuomo, Ed.S., BCBA  
28 Marina Isles Blvd.  
Indian Harbor Beach, Florida 32937

Jamie M. Duncan, M.S., BCBA  
2760 Cozumel Dr. #1001  
Melbourne, Florida 32935

Barbara McFadden  
c/o Brevard Public Schools  
2700 Judge Fran Jamieson Way  
Viera, Florida 32940

#### Article VI

##### Incorporator

Cari R. Wheat, 743 Conestee Dr., West Melbourne, Florida 32904 is the Incorporator of BFOCASP.

#### Article VII

##### Management of BFOCASP Affairs

(a) Board of Directors. The powers of BFOCASP shall be exercised, its properties controlled and its affairs conducted by the board of directors. The number of directors of BFOCASP shall be 8, however, that such number may be changed bylaw duly adopted by the Board members.

(b) BFOCASP Officers. The members of the Board of Directors shall elect the following officers: Vice President, Treasurer and Secretary. The officers are appointed from the Board of Directors. At such time that an officer chooses to resign their position or is not meeting the requirements as outlined in the bylaws, a majority vote of the board of directors can remove the officer from his/her office. A new officer will then be elected by a majority vote of the Board of Directors.

(c) Elections. Elections for the 7 nominated Board of Directors positions will occur on a bi-annual basis. The first Board will include members with one and two-year terms to

begin staggered terms. The officer elections/re-elections for Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer will occur during the month of September during even years. The remaining Board of Directors will be elected/re-elected in the month of September during odd years. Nominations from the members and the current Board of Directors must be in by August 15<sup>th</sup> as stated in the Bylaws. The current Board of Directors will then vote in new members in the month of September.

(d) Founder. Cari Wheat, herein known as the Founder of BFOCASP shall reserve the right to at her sole discretion, remove and/or appoint Board members and/or Officers of BFOCASP.

(e) Earnings. No part of the net earnings of the organization shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to its members, trustees, officers, or other private persons, except that the organization 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 the purpose clause hereof. No substantial part of the activities of the organization shall be the carrying on of propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and the organization 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. Notwithstanding any other provision of this document, the organization shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on (a) by an organization exempt from federal income tax under section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code, or (b) by an organization, contributions to which are deductible under section 170 (c) (2) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

## Article VIII

### Members

BFOCASP shall have a membership distinct from the Board of Directors. Membership to BFOCASP shall be open to families (children and adults), educators and/or therapists of children and/or adults with Autistic Spectrum Disorders or similar disabilities. Members will agree to be bound by the articles of Incorporation of BFOCASP and its bylaws, and by such rules and regulations as the Directors may from time to time adopt.

## IX

### Dissolution

Upon the dissolution of BFOCASD, assets shall be distributed for one or more exempt purposes within the meaning of section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or 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 purpose. Any such assets not disposed of shall be disposed of by the Court of Common Pleas of the county in which the principal office of the organization 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 purpose.

## X

### Amendments

BFOCASD reserves the right to amend, alter, change or repeal any provision contained in these Articles of Incorporation, in the manner now or hereafter prescribed by statute: provided that all such amendments must be approved by a majority of the Board of Directors then in office.

We, the undersigned, being the incorporators of this corporation, for the purpose of forming this Not for Profit charitable corporation under the Laws of the State of Florida have executed these Articles of Incorporation.

Cari R. Wheat