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## TRANSMITTAL LETTER

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

SUBJECT: Ten Thousand Villages of Tallahassee, Inc.

(PROPOSED CORPORATE NAME - MUST INCLUDE SUFFIX)

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

ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION, in compliance with Chapter 617, Florida Statutes----(Not-for-Profit)

### ARTICLE | NAME:

Ten Thousand Villages of Tallahassee, Inc.

# ARTICLE II PRINCIPAL OFFICE:

The principal place of business and mailing address of this corporation shall be: 1507 Payne Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32303.

#### ARTICLE III PURPOSE:

The purpose for which the corporation is organized is:

To support the world-wide relief and development programs of non-profit Alternative Trade Organizations through the sale of merchandise, substantially all of which has been handicrafted by persons of low income; to operate a store through the efforts primarily of volunteers; to further international understanding; and to support the local witness of simplicity, peace, justice, economic development and intercultural, ecumenical and interreligious understanding.

#### ARTICLE IV MANNER OF ELECTION:

Directors shall be elected to three year terms or until their successors are chosen. They may serve two consecutive terms, after which a minimum of one year must pass before being eligible for reelection. Members of the initial board will serve until the first annual meeting, which period shall not be construed as a term for the term limits, above. At that meeting, directors shall be elected by the existing board for one-, two-, or three-year terms, equally divided among the members in order to facilitate staggered terms of service.

#### ARTICLE V INITIAL DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS:

The initial directors and officers are:

Emory Hingst, Chair/President, 1507 Payne Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32303
Chris Inger, Vice-Chair/Vice-President, 3038 Stillwood Court, Tallahassee, Florida 32312
Ann Hingst, Secretary, 1507 Payne Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32303
Sara Fox, Treasurer, 1742 Broken Bow Trail, Tallahassee, Florida 32312
Carol Lees Hart, 706 North Ride, Tallahassee, Florida 32303
Carol DeLoach, 8808 Eden Rock Lane, Tallahassee, Florida 32301
Jon Hinkle, 2747 Blairstone Road, Tallahassee, Florida 32301
Judi McDowell, 726 Riggins Road, Tallahassee, Florida 32308
Mary Clark, 727 Miccosukee Road, Tallahassee, Florida 32308
Marian Moore, 8551 Mahan Drive, Tallahassee, Florida 32309
Walter Moore, 8551 Mahan Drive, Tallahassee, Florida 32309

# ARTICLE VI INITIAL REGISTERED AGENT AND STREET ADDRESS:

The name and Florida street address of the registered agent is: Ann Hingst, 1507 Payne Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32303

#### ARTICLE VII INCORPORATOR:

The name and address of the Incorporator is:

Mary Clark, 727 Miccosukee Road, Tallahassee, Florida 32308.

ARTICLE VIII TAX EXEMPT STATUS:

The corporation shall be operated exclusively for religious, charitable and educational purposes within the meaning of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as now in effect and as may hereafter be amended ("Code"). The corporation shall be operated in a manner at all times consistent with the requirements of the Code and with applicable state and local laws and regulations. The corporation shall not directly or indirectly carry on any activity which would prevent it from obtaining exemption from federal income taxation as a corporation described in the Code, or cause it to lose such exempt status, or carry on any activity not permitted to be carried on by a corporation, contributions to which are deductible under Section 170(c)(2) of the Code.

Having been named as 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.

Ann Hingst,

Registered Agent

Date

Mary Clark, Incorporator Date

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