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FLORIDA NON-PROFIT CORPORATION

Emerald Coast Public Relations Organization, Inc.

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ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

OF

EMERALD COAST PUBLIC RELATIONS ORGANIZATION, INC. (A Florida Non-Profit Corporation)

The undersigned, for the purpose of creating a non-profit corporation under the laws of the State of Florida, does hereby adopt the following Articles of Incorporation:

ARTICLE ONE

CORPORATE NAME AND PRINCIPAL OFFICE

The name of the corporation is EMERALD COAST PUBLIC RELATIONS ORGANIZATION, INC., and its principal office and mailing address P.O. Box 4483, Fort Walton Beach, Florida 32549.

ARTICLE TWO

DURATION

This Corporation's duration shall be perpetual, unless it is hereafter dissolved according to law.

ARTICLE THREE

PURPOSE

This corporation is being formed for the purpose of (1) uniting those engaged in the practice of public relations; (2) to promote and seek to maintain high standards to public service and conduct; (3) to exchange ideas, experiences and to collect and disseminate information of value to public

relations practitioners and the public; (4) to provide a means for professional development and accreditation for its members; to promote an interest among students for pursuing public relations as a career; and (5) in the transaction of any and all activities permitted under the laws of Florida and the United States of America. This corporation will not engage in nonexempt purposes.

This corporation is irrevocably dedicated to and operated exclusively for non-profit purposes; and no part of the income or assets of the corporation shall be distributed to, nor inure to the benefit of any individual.

This corporation shall be limited in its purposes, objectives and activities as follows:

- 1. Notwithstanding any other provision of these Articles, this corporation will not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on by a corporation exempt from Federal income tax under Section 501(c)(6) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue law or any other corresponding provision of any future United State Internal Revenue law.
- 2. Notwithstanding any other provisions of these Articles, this corporation is organized exclusively for those purposes enumerated under Section 501(c)(6) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 or any other corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue law.

ARTICLE FOUR

POWERS

This corporation may do and perform all such acts and things, including those generally allowed by the laws of Florida relative to nonprofit corporations, as now existing, or as the law may

henceforth provide, as from time to time may be necessary or expedient to the exercise of any and all of its corporate functions, power and rights.

However, this corporation, in exercising any one or more of such powers shall do so in furtherance of the exempt purpose for which it has been organized as described in the applicable sections of the Internal Revenue Code.

ARTICLE FIVE

MANAGEMENT

The powers of this corporation shall be exercised, its properties controlled, and its affairs ad business conducted and managed by the Board of Directors.

Any action required or permitted to be taken by the Board of Directors, under any provision of the law, may be taken without a meeting, if all of the directors shall individually or collectively consent in writing to such action. Such written consent shall be filed with the minutes of the proceedings of the Board of Directors. Any certificate or other document filed, under any provision of the law which relates to the action so taken, shall state that the action was taken by the unanimous written consent of the Board of Directors without a meeting, and that these Articles of Incorporation authorize the Board of Directors to so act. Such a statement shall be prima facia evidence of such authority.

ARTICLE SIX

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The number of directors Corporation may be increased or diminished, from time to time, in accordance with the corporate Bylaws, but shall never be less than three (3).

The directors shall of the Corporation shall consist of the Officers of the Corporation, the inunciately past president, and the chairpersons of committees. The manner of the installing the directors shall be specified in the corporate Bylaws.

The names and addresses of the initial Board of Directors of the corporation are as follows:

Name

<u>Address</u>

Ronda Davenport

P.O. Box 4483

Fort Walton Beach, FL 32549

Rachael Doan

P.O. Box 4483

Fort Walton Beach, FL 32549

Tanımy McDaniel

P.O. Box 4483

Fort Walton Beach, FL 32549

Joe Purka

P.O. Box 4483

Fort Walton Beach, FL 32549

Jean Dutton

P.O. Box 4483

Fort Walton Beach, FL 32549

ARTICLE SEVEN

OFFICERS

The officers shall consist of a president, vice-president, secretary and treasurer. This corporation may have such other officers as may be provided in the corporate Bylaws, as amended from time-to-time.

The officers shall be elected annually by the Members of the Corporation. The manner of the election of the officers shall be specified in the corporate Bylaws. The officers named herein shall hold office until the election of officers at the next annual Members' meeting, or until their successors are elected and qualified.

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The names of the officers and their respective officers are:

<u>Name</u>

Office

Ronda Davenport

President

Rachael Doan

Vice President

Tanuny McDaniel

Secretary

Joe Purka

Treasurer

Sabrina McLaughlin

Student Media Competition Chairman

Jean Dutton

Member at Large

ARTICLE EIGHT

INDEMNIFICATION

The corporation shall indemnify any present or former officer or director, or person exercising powers and duties of an officer and/or director, to the full extent now or hereafter permitted by law.

ARTICLE NINE

REGISTERED OFFICE AND AGENT

The address of this corporation's registered office shall be 35008 Emerald Coast Parkway, Suite 202, Destin, Florida 32541.

The name of the individual who shall serve as this corporation's registered agent at that address is:

WILLIAM G. KILPATRICK, JR.

ARTICLE TEN

BYLAWS

Corporate Bylaws will be hereinafter adopted by the Board of Directors. The corporate bylaws may be amended or repealed, in whole or in part, by the Members in the manner provided therein, provided that they are not inconsistent with the provisions of these Articles of Incorporation.

ARTICLE ELEVEN

SPECIAL PROVISIONS

- A. In the event of dissolution or final liquidation, all of the remaining assets and property of the Corporation shall be applied and distributed in accordance with the Plan of Dissolution adopted by the Board of Directors provided, however, such Plan is not inconsistent with any provision of the Florida Non-Profit Act or any Code provision applicable to corporations described in § 501(c)(6) of the Internal Revenue Code.
- B. This corporation will not, as a substantial part of its activities, attempt to influence legislation.
- C. This corporation will not participate to any extent in a political campaign for or against any candidate for public office.
- D. This corporation will distribute its income for each tax year at such time and in such manner as not to subject income to the tax on undistributed income imposed by Section 4942 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, or corresponding provision of any subsequent Federal tax laws.

- E. This corporation will not engage in any act of self-dealing as defined in Section 4941(d) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, or corresponding provisions of any subsequent Federal tax laws.
- F. This corporation will not retain any excess business holdings as defined in Section 4943(c) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, or corresponding provisions of any subsequent Federal tax laws.
- G. This corporation will not make any investments in such manner as to subject it to tax under Section 4944 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, or corresponding provision of any subsequent Federal tax laws.
- II. This corporation will not make any taxable expenditures as defined in Section 4945(d) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, or corresponding provision of any subsequent Federal tax laws.

ARTICLE TWELVE

AMENDMENTS

Amendments to these Articles or Incorporation may be proposed by a resolution adopted by the Board of Directors and affirmed by two-thirds of the Members of the Corporation.

ARTICLE THIRTEEN

INCORPORATOR

The name and address of the incorporator is:

William G. Kilpatrick, Jr. 35008 Emerald Coast Parkway, Suite 202 Destin, Florida 32541

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned incorporator does hereby execute these Articles

on this 18th day of November, 2005.

WILLIAM G. KILPATRICK, JR.

Incorporator

ACCEPTANCE BY THE REGISTERED AGENT

I, WILLIAM G. KILPATRICK, JR., hereby accept appointment as registered agent for the corporation, and acknowledge my acceptance with my signature below on this 18th day of November, 2005.

WILLIAM G. KILPATRICK, JR., ,

Registered Agent

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