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### COVER LETTER

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

SUBJECT:	Gateway	Charter School PTO,Inc
		(PROPOSED CORPORATE NAME – <u>MUST INCLUDE SUFFIX</u> )

Enclosed is an original a	and one(1) copy of the Art	icles of Incorporation and	a check for :
☐ \$70.00 Filing Fee	✓ \$78.75 Filing Fee & Certificate of Status	S78.75 Filing Fee & Certified Copy	\$87.50 Filing Fee, Certified Copy & Certificate
		ADDITIONAL CO	PY REQUIRED

FROM:	Marc Whitfield
	Name (Printed or typed)
	12222 Hastings Land
	13223 Hastings Lane
	Address
	Fort Myers, FL 33913
	City, State & Zip
	239-218-9592
	Daytime Telephone number

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

## ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF GATEWAY CHARTER SCHOOL PTO, INC

The undersigned subscriber to these Articles of Incorporation is a natural person competent to contract and hereby for a corporation not for profit under Chapter 617 of the Florida Statutes.

#### **ARTICLE I**

The name of the corporation shall be Gateway Charter School PTO, Inc. (hereinafter, "Corporation")

#### ARTICLE II

The principal place of business and mailing address of this corporation shall 12850 Commonwealth Drive, Fort Myers, FL 33913

#### ARTICLE III

The corporation is organized and will be operated exclusively for charitable and educational purposes within the meaning of 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. Specifically, the corporation is organized to support the education of children at school by fostering relationships between the school, parents, and teachers. In pursuance of these purposes it shall have the powers to carry on any business or other activity which may be lawfully conducted by a corporation organized under the Florida Nonstock Corporations Act, whether or not related to the foregoing purposes, and to do all things necessary, proper and consistent with maintaining tax exempt status under section 501(c)(3).

#### ARTICLE IV

The members of the Board of Directors shall be those individuals elected, from time to time, in accordance with the by-laws.

#### ARTICLE V

The number of directors constituting the initial Board of Directors is five, and the names and addresses, including street number, of the persons who are to serve as the initial directors until the first annual meeting, or until their successors are elected and qualified, are:

President	Cheryl Brophy	12500 Gemstone Ct, Fort Myers, FL 33913
Vice-President	Rebecca Tinkle	11180 Bent Pine Dr, Fort Myers, FL 33913

Treasurer	Marc Whitfield	13223 Hastings Lane, Fort
		Myers, FL 33913
Recording Secretary	Jim Galvin	18202 Hemlock Rd, Fort Myers, FL 33912
Corresponding Secretary	Vacant	

#### ARTICLE VI

Upon dissolution of the corporation, the Board of Directors shall, after paying or making provision for the payment of all of the liabilities of the corporation, dispose of all of its assets exclusively for the purposes of the corporation in such a manner, or to such organizations organized and operated exclusively for charitable, educational, religious or scientific purpose as shall at the time qualify as an exempt organization or organizations under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code as the Board of Directors shall determine or distributed to such organizations organized and operated exclusively for charitable purposes which shall, at the time, qualify as exempt organizations under section 501(c)(3). Any such assets not disposed of shall be disposed of by a Court of Competent Jurisdiction in the county in which the principal office of the Corporation is then located, exclusively for such purposes or to such organizations, as said Court shall determine, which are organized and operated exclusively for such purposes.

#### ARTICLE VII

No part of the net earnings of the corporation shall inure to benefit of or be distributed to any director, employee or other individual, partnership, estate, trust or corporation having a personal or private interest in the corporation. Compensation for services actually rendered and reimbursement for expenses actually incurred in attending to the affairs of this corporation shall be limited to reasonable amounts. No substantial amount of activities of the corporation shall be the carrying on of propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation and this corporation shall not intervene in (including the publishing or distributing of statements) any political campaign on behalf of or in opposition to any candidate for public office. Notwithstanding any other provision of these Articles, the corporation shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on (a) by a corporation exempt from federal income tax under Section 501(c) 3 of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code, or (b) by a corporation, contributions to which are deductible under Section 170(c) 2 of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

#### ARTICLE VIII

The initial address of registered office of this Corporation is Marc S. Whitfield, located at 13223 Hastings Lane, Fort Myers, FL 33913. The name of the registered agent is Marc S. Whitfield, who is a resident of the state of Florida and a director of the corporation, and whose address is 13223 Hastings Lane, Fort Myers, FL 33913

#### ARTICLE IX

The name and street address of the incorporator for these articles of incorporation is Marc Whitfield, 13223 Hastings Lane, Fort Myers, FL 33913.

#### ARTICLE X

These Articles of Incorporation shall be effective immediately upon approval of the Secretary of State, State of Florida.

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.

Signature/Registered Agent

Date

Signature/Incorporator

Date