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FLORIDA YOUTH HOCKEY FOUNDATION, INC.  
*Proposed Florida Non Profit Corporation*

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

RE: FLORIDA YOUTH HOCKEY FOUNDATION, INC. (PROPOSED CORPORATE NAME)

To Whom It May Concern:

Enclosed please find an original and two (2) copies of the Articles of Incorporation and a check for \$87.50 as Filing Fee, Certified Copy and Certificate of this non-profit corporation *are requested.*  
Thank you.

FROM: BRET THOMPSON  
INCORPORATOR  
4113 Costa Mesa Lane  
Rockledge, FL 32955  
TEL.: (719) 331-9329

Sincerely,



Bret Thompson

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**ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF**

**"FLORIDA YOUTH HOCKEY FOUNDATION, INC."** 2006 AUG 21 AM 11:39

**(A Florida Non Profit Corporation)**

SECRETARY OF STATE  
TALLAHASSEE, FLORIDA

The undersigned, desiring to form a non profit corporation pursuant to the laws of the State of Florida, as contained in Chapter 617 of Florida Statutes (Not for Profit); hereby certifies:

**ARTICLE I: NAME**

The name of this corporation shall be "Florida Youth Hockey Foundation, Inc." a Florida not-for-profit corporation.

**ARTICLE II: PRINCIPAL OFFICE**

The principal place of business of this corporation will be located in the City of Rockledge in Brevard County, 4113 Costa Mesa Lane, Rockledge, FL 32955. The mailing address of this corporation shall be Florida Youth Hockey Foundation, Inc., 4113 Costa Mesa Lane, Rockledge, FL 32955.

**ARTICLE III: PURPOSE**

The purpose for which this corporation is organized is principally charitable, cultural and educational within the meanings of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law and Chapter 617 of Florida Statutes. The corporation, in order to implement these purposes, shall promote and develop the progression and advancement of youth hockey in the State of Florida through discussion, exchange of information, activities, and/or fundraising activities to help fund travel programs, house leagues and learn to play programs. These purposes shall be broadly interpreted to allow the corporation flexibility in engaging in all activities that promote the interests of the corporation, so long as the same do not adversely affect the corporation's tax-exempt status for federal income tax purposes.

In furtherance of such purposes, the corporation shall have the power to:

1. Operate as a corporation not for profit pursuant to Chapter 617 of the Florida Statutes. This Corporation shall be a non-stock corporation.
2. Enrich opportunities in sport for youth hockey players in the State of Florida.
3. Perform all the duties and obligations of the corporation and to undertake to perform acts and duties incident thereto, and to perform all other acts necessary or convenient in the pursuit of the same.
4. Use and apply the whole or any part of the income and assets of the corporation to activities related to the fields of interest of the corporation, including, but not limited to, the provisions of use and application to be exclusively for charitable/ educational purposes, as defined in Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, and the regulations as promulgated hereunder as they now exist or as they may hereafter be amended, either directly or by contributions to organizations that qualify as exempt organizations under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 or the corresponding provisions of any subsequent United States revenue laws.

5. Receive donations in cash and all monies from any lawful means; and pay all expenses incidental to the conduct of the business of the corporation.
6. Acquire by gift, purchase or otherwise own, hold, and maintain, sell, transfer, dedicate to public use or otherwise dispose of personal property in connection with the affairs of the corporation.
7. Have and exercise any and all powers, rights, and privileges that a non-profit corporation organized under Chapter 617 of the Florida Statutes by law may now or hereafter have or exercise.
8. No substantial part of the activities of this corporation shall consist of carrying on propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation (except as otherwise provided by Section 501(h) of the Internal Revenue Code), and this corporation shall not participate in, or intervene in (including the publishing or distribution of statements), any political campaign on behalf of, or in opposition to, any candidate for public office.
9. No part of the net earnings of this corporation shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to, its members, directors, officers, or other private persons, except that this corporation 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 these Articles.
10. Notwithstanding any other provision of these Articles, this corporation shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on (1) by a corporation exempt from federal income tax under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code or (2) by a corporation contributions to which are deductible under Section 170(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code.

#### **ARTICLE IV: DIRECTORS OF THE CORPORATION**

##### **Section 4.1: Number of Directors**

The number of Directors constituting the Board of Directors shall not be less than three. The Board of Directors may change the number of Directors to sit on the Board, but at no time shall that number be less than three. The initial Board of Directors shall be made up of five Directors, whose names and address are listed in Section 4.3.

##### **Section 4.2: Election of Directors**

The manner of election of Board members and their terms, along with the requirements for Board membership, shall be by nomination and election as set forth in the bylaws of the corporation. By election to the Board, a Director shall also be a member of the corporation and may serve as an officer as set forth in the bylaws.

##### **Section 4.3: Initial Directors of the Corporation.**

The initial Board of Directors shall consist of the following Directors:

Bret Thompson	4113 Costa Mesa LN Rockledge, FL 32955
Peter Nyman	2316 Deer Croft DR Melbourne, FL 32940
Carl Nicholson	215 Sea Dunes Drive Melbourne Beach, FL 32951

John Cashman	1951 Crane Creek Melbourne, FL 32940
Jeffrey Johnson	278 Pebble Hill Way Rockledge, FL 32955

## **ARTICLE V: OFFICERS OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE CORPORATION**

### **Section 5.1: Election of Officers**

The officers of the board of directors shall be nominated and elected as set forth in the bylaws, and their terms shall be set forth in the bylaws.

### **Section 5.2: Number of Officers**

The corporation shall initially have three officers, a Chair, a Vice Chair, and a Secretary/ Treasurer. The Board may, by resolution, add additional officers as it deems appropriate.

### **Section 5.3: Initial Officers of the Corporation**

The initial officers of the corporation shall be:

<b>Chair</b>	Bret Thompson
<b>Vice Chair</b>	Peter Nyman
<b>Secretary/ Treasurer</b>	Carl Nicholson

## **ARTICLE VI: INITIAL REGISTERED OFFICE AND AGENT OF THE CORPORATION**

The initial registered office of the corporation is located at 4113 Costa Mesa Lane, Rockledge, FL 32955. Bret Thompson shall be the initial registered agent of the corporation at that address.

## **ARTICLE VII: INCORPORATOR OF THE CORPORATION**

The name and address of the incorporator of this corporation is as follows:

**NAME:** Bret Thompson

**ADDRESS:** 4113 Costa Mesa Lane, Rockledge, FL 32955

## **ARTICLE VIII: MEMBERSHIP IN THE CORPORATION**

The members of the Board of Directors shall constitute the membership of the corporation.

## **ARTICLE IX: BYLAWS OF THE CORPORATION**

The Board shall adopt the initial bylaws of the corporation by majority vote of the Directors present and voting at a meeting called for that purpose provided a quorum is present. Thereafter, any amendment, modification, rescission or creation of a bylaw shall require a two-thirds (2/3) majority vote of the Directors in favor of the change at any regular meeting of the Board or at any special meeting called for that purpose. The procedure for creating, amending, modifying, or rescinding bylaws shall be set forth in the bylaws.

## **ARTICLE X: AMENDMENT OF THE ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION**

These Articles of Incorporation may be amended, modified, or rescinded by a two-thirds (2/3) majority vote of the entire Board of Directors. The vote for the amendment, modification, or rescission of these Articles of Incorporation may take place at any regular meeting of the Board of Directors or at any special meeting called for that purpose.

#### **ARTICLE XI: DURATION**

This corporation shall exist perpetually, unless dissolved under provisions of these Articles, the Bylaws or the Florida Statutes, commencing upon the filing of these Articles of Incorporation with the Department of State.

#### **ARTICLE XII: DISSOLUTION**

Upon the dissolution of the organization, 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 the public purpose. Any such assets not disposed of shall be disposed of by the circuit court of the county in which the principle office of the organization is then located, exclusively for the purposes or to such organization or organizations, as said court shall determine, which are organized and operated exclusively for such purposes.

I, the undersigned, being the incorporator of this corporation, for the purpose of forming this non-profit corporation under the laws of Florida, have executed these Articles of Incorporation, this 4<sup>th</sup> day of Aug., 2006.




Bret Thompson

INCORPORATOR


#### **STATE OF FLORIDA**

#### **COUNTY OF BREVARD**

Sworn to (or affirmed) and subscribed before me this the 4<sup>th</sup> day of Aug., 2006 by Bret Thompson (name of person making statement).



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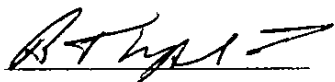
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**ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**

Having been named to accept service of process for the above-stated corporation at the place designated in this Certificate, I hereby accept to act in this capacity and agree to comply with the provisions of said Act relative to keeping open said office, this the 4<sup>th</sup> day of Aug, 2006.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Bret Thompson", written over a horizontal line.

Bret Thompson

Registered Agent