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# ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

#### Article I. Name

The name of this Florida not-for-profit corporation is: Tampa Bay Great Books Council, Inc.

#### Article II. Address

The mailing address of the Corporation is: Tampa Bay Great Books Council, Inc. 9707 Sunny Oak Drive Riverview FL 33569

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#### Article III. Purpose

#### Section 1. General purpose

Consistent with IRS Section 501(c)(3) this Corporation's purpose is to create an educational service that manages knowledge as a public good and in a manner that makes education and the reading of books and related material to its members and attendees at conferences and meetings sponsored by the Corporation.

Operating exclusively as a nonprofit corporation, the primary objectives of the Corporation shall include, but not be limited to, providing an institutional framework to promote, sustain and support the reading of books and other related material, hold meetings and discussion groups of the reading material.

#### Section 2. Fundraising

The Corporation shall have unlimited power to engage in, and do, any lawful act not inconsistent with the Corporations nonprofit tax exempt status, including conducting fund-raising activities to promote reading programs and projects and activities consistent with these Bylaws, the Corporation's Articles of Incorporation and the commitment to advance the reading of books and other related material.

#### Section 3. Fund Management

The Corporation shall have the power to operate bank accounts and to seek funds to establish fund and to manage the investment and its returns consistent with the stipulations of the Bylaws and Articles of Incorporation and its 501(c)(3) status.

#### Arricle IV. Membership

All persons interested in the purposes of the Corporation are eligible for membership in the Corporation if they are capable of contributing to the achievement of those purposes and the effective operation of the Corporation, and if they comply with the requirements established from time to time in the Bylaws. Members shall have no voting rights or other rights except as provided in the Bylaws.

#### Article V. Registered Agent

The name and address of the registered agent of the Corporation is:

Patrick DeMarco 9707 Sunny Oak Drive Riverview FL 33569

#### Article VI. Limitations

No part of the not earnings of the Corporation shall insure to the benefit of (or be distributable to) its directors, officers, members or other private persons, except that the Corporation shall be sucherized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of any of its purposes. No substantial part of the activities of the Corporation shall be the carrying on of propagands or otherwise stiempting to influence legislation, except as otherwise provided in Code Section 501(h). The Corporation shall not participate or intervene in any political campaign (including the problishing or distributing of statements) on behalf of any candidate for public office. Notwithstanding any other provision of these Articles of Incorporation, the Corporation shall not carry on any activities except these permitted to be carried on by a corporation exempt from federal income tax under Code Section 501(c)(3) or by a corporation contributions to which are deductible under Code Section 170(c)(2).

If the Corporation is at any time deemed to be a private foundation within the meaning of Code Section 509(a), then for the period in which the Corporation is so deemed, the Corporation shall distribute its income for each tax year at such time and in such manner as not to subject the Corporation to tax under Code Section 4942, and the Corporation shall not engage in any set of self dealing as defined in Code Section 4941(d), retain any excess business holdings as defined in Code Section 4943(c), make any investments as to subject the Corporation to tax under Code Section 4944 or make any taxable expenditures as defined in Code Section 4945(d).

#### Article VII. Board of Directors

The name of each member of the Corporation's Board of Directors is:

Sara Cohen
Patrick DeMarco
Sylvia Sorrentino
Robert Walker
Neil Harvey

The affeirs of the Corporation shall be managed by a Board of Directors consisting of no less than three directors. The number of directors may be increased or decreased from time to time in accordance with the Bylaws of the Corporation, but may never be less than three. The election of directors shall be done in accordance with the Bylaws. The directors shall be protected from personal liability to the fullest extent permitted by law.

#### Article VIII. Incorporator

The name and address of the incorporator is: Corporate Creations International Inc. 941 Fourth Street Miami Beach FL 33139

#### Article IX. Dissolution

Upon the dissolution or winding up of the Corporation, the assets remaining after payment (or provision for payment) of the Corporation's debts and liabilities shall be distributed to a not-for-profit corporation, trust, community fund or foundation that has established its tax exempt status under Code Section 501(c)(3).

#### Article X. Corporate Existence

The corporate existence of the Corporation shall begin effective as of August 24th, 2006.

The authorized representative of the incorporator executed these Articles of Incorporation on August 24th, 2006.

Frederick William Heath, Esq.

by N. Pasquier as attorney-in-fact

# CERTIFICATE OF DESIGNATION REGISTERED AGENT/OFFICE

## **CORPORATION:**

Tampa Bay Great Books Council, Inc.

### **REGISTERED AGENT/OFFICE:**

Patrick DeMarco 9707 Sunny Oak Drive Riverview FL 33569

I agree to act as registered agent to accept service of process for the corporation named above at the place designated in this Certificate. I agree to comply with the provisions of all statutes relating to the proper and complete performance of the registered agent duties. I am familiar with and accept the obligations of the registered agent position.

PATRICK DEMARCO

by: N. Pasquier as attorney-in-fact

Date: August 24th, 2006