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## ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF HOME PLATE CLUB, INC.

#### A FLORIDA NOT FOR PROFIT CORPORATION

The undersigned, acting as the incorporator of a corporation pursuant to Chapter 617 of the Florida Statutes, adopts the following articles of incorporation for the incorporation:

#### **ARTICLE I**

#### **NAME**

The name of the corporation shall be: HOME PLATE CLUB, INC.

The principal address of the corporation at the time of incorporation is 14 Rose Drive, Fort Lauderdale, County of Broward, Florida 33316

#### **ARTICLE II**

#### DURATION

The duration of the corporation is perpetual unless dissolved according to law. Corporate existence shall commence at the date these articles of incorporation are filed by the Department of State.

#### **ARTICLE III**

#### **PURPOSE**

The purpose for which the corporation is organized is:

- (a) The specific and primary purpose for which the corporation is organized is to enable female student athletes at St. Thomas High School participate, develop, and improve their softball skills. The corporation will solicit funds and perform fund raising activities for the benefit of the St. Thomas Aquinas High School Girls Softball Program.
- (b) The corporation shall have and exercise all powers conferred on not for profit corporations under the laws of the State of Florida generally, and specifically as provided in the Florida Not for Profit Corporation Act, provided, however, that the corporation has no power to engage in any activity that in itself is not in furtherance of its purposes as set for in paragraphs (a), (b), (c), and (d) of this Article III.

- (c) The corporation is organized exclusively for charitable purposes within the meaning of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue code.
- (d) Notwithstanding any other provision of the articles of incorporation, 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 of 1986 (or the corresponding provision of any further United States Internal Revenue Law) or (b) by a corporation, contributions to which are deductible under Section 170(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law).

#### **ARTICLE IV**

#### **DISSOLUTION OF CORPORATION**

Upon winding up and dissolution of the corporation; after paying or adequately providing for the debts and obligations of the corporation, the remaining assets shall be distributed to a non-profit fund, foundation, or corporation which is organized and operated exclusively for charitable, educational, religious, and or scientific purposes and which has established its tax exempt status under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

#### **ARTICLE V**

#### QUALIFICATIONS AND ADMISSIONS OF MEMBERS

There shall be two (2) classes of members: regular members and honorary members. The initial regular members are the following individuals: Joseph R. Casacci and Armand Anctil. Additional regular members shall be admitted in accordance with the bylaws. The directors of the corporation shall establish criteria for the admission of honorary members from time to time.

#### **ARTICLE VI**

#### <u>REGISTERED OFFICE AND REGISTERED AGENT</u>

The street address of the corporation's initial registered office is 14 Rose Drive, Fort Lauderdale, County of Broward, State of Florida, 33316, and the name of the corporation's initial registered agent at that address is Joseph R. Casacci.

#### **ARTICLE VII**

#### **INITIAL DIRECTORS**

The following persons shall serve the corporation as directors until the first annual

meeting or other meeting call to elect directors:

Name	<u>Address</u>
Joseph R. Casacci	14 Rose Drive Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33316
Armand Antcil	172 NW 74 <sup>th</sup> Avenue Plantation FL 33317-2286

#### **ARTICLE VIII**

#### BASIS UNDER WHICH CORPORATION ORGANIZED

The corporation is a not for profit corporation as defined by the Florida Not for Profit Corporation Act, F.S. § 617.01401. As such, it is not organized for the pecuniary gain or profit of the corporation, and neither the net earnings nor any part thereof is distributable to, its members, directors or managers or trustees, officers, or other private persons except as specifically permitted under the provision sof the Florida Not for Profit Corporation Act.

#### **ARTICLE IX**

#### MANAGEMENT OF CORPORATE AFFAIRS

- (a) <u>Board of Directors</u>. The powers of the corporation shall be exercised, its properties controlled, and its affairs conducted by a board of directors. The initial number of directors shall be two (2). The number of directors provided for in these articles of incorporation may be changed by a bylaw adopted by the members entitled to vote.
- (b) <u>Election of Directors.</u> The method of electing directors shall be as set forth in the bylaws.
- (c) <u>Elective Officers</u>. The officers of the corporation shall be a president, a vice-president, a secretary, and a treasurer. Other offices and officers maybe established or appointed by the members of the corporation at any regular annual meeting or any special meeting of members called for such a purpose. The qualifications, the time and manner of electing or appointing, the duties of, the terms of office, and the manner of removing officers shall be set forth in the bylaws.
- (d) <u>Standing Committees.</u> There shall be standing committees as determined by the board of directors from time to time.

#### **ARTICLE X**

#### **INCORPORATORS**

The name and address of each incorporator is as follows:

Name

**Address** 

Joseph R. Casacci

14 Rose Drive Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33316

#### **ARTICLE XI**

#### **BYLAWS**

Bylaws will be adopted at the first meeting of the board of directors. The bylaws may be amended, repealed, in whole or in part, by the directors in the manner provided in the bylaws. Any amendments to the bylaws shall be binding on all members of the corporation.

#### **ARTICLE XII**

#### **AMENDMENT OF ARTICLES**

Amendments to these articles of incorporation may be proposed by a resolution adopted by the board of directors and presented to a quorum of the voting members for their vote. Amendments may be adopted by a vote of two-thirds of a quorum of the voting members of the corporation.

#### **ARTICLE XIII**

#### INDEMNIFICATION

The corporation shall indemnify its directors and officers, and may indemnify its employees and agents, to the fullest extent permitted by the provisions of the Florida Not for Profit Corporation Act, as the same may be amended and supplemented, from and against any and all judgments, claims, expenses and liabilities incurred in a civil or criminal proceeding or other matters referred to in, or covered by, said provisions, including, but not limited to, advancement of expenses prior to the final disposition of proceedings and amounts paid in settlement of proceedings, and the indemnification provided for herein shall not be deemed exclusive of any other rights to which those indemnified may be entitled under any bylaws, agreement, vote of members or disinterested directors, officers or otherwise, both as to action in his or her official capacity and as to action in any other capacity while holding office, and shall continue as a person who has ceased to be

director, officer, employee or agent, and shall inure to the benefit of the heirs, executors and administrators of such person, and an adjudication of liability shall not affect the right to indemnification of those indemnified.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned incorporator has executed these articles

of incorporation this 28th day of February 2007.

#### ACCEPTANCE OF REGISTERED AGENT

Having been named to accept service of process of Home Plate Club, Inc., at the place designated in the articles of incorporation, the undersigned is familiar with and accepts the obligations of that position pursuant to F.S. § 607.0501(3).

Signed this 28th day of February 2007.

Print Name

Joseph/R. Casacci