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## **COVER LETTER**

Department of State
Division of Corporations
P. O. Box 6327
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SUBJECT: _	Treasure	Coast	Environ Me	ntal A	Education	Council
•	(PROPO	SED CORPORA	TE NAME – <u>MUST INC</u>	CLUDE SUFF	IX)	ン
						Inc.

Enclosed is an original and one(1) copy of the Articles of Incorporation and a check for :

\$70.00 \$78.75
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\$78.75 Filing Fee \$87.50

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FROM: Jennifer Howard
Name (Printed or typed)

5400 N.E. St. James Drive

Port St Lucie FL 34983 City, State & Zip

772 - 785 - 5833

Daytime Telephone number

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

## **Articles of Incorporation**

In Compliance with Chapter 617, F.S., (Not for Profit)

**Article I:** The name of the Corporation shall be <u>Treasure Coast Environmental Education Council</u>, Inc.

**Article II:** The place in this state where the principal office of the Corporation is to be located is the City of Port Saint Lucie, St. Lucie County, and the mailing address is <u>5400 N.E. St. James Drive</u>, Port St. Lucie, Florida 34983

**Article III**: Said corporation is organized exclusively for charitable, educational, and scientific purposes, including, for such purposes, the making of distributions to organizations that qualify as exempt organizations under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

**Article IV**: Directors shall be appointed as provided for in the bylaws.

**Article V**: The names and addresses of the persons who are the initial trustees of the corporation are as follows:

Name	Elizabeth Underwood	Jamie A. Monty	Michael Gostel
Address	Oxbow Eco-Center	SE Florida Aquatic Preserves Field Office	South Florida Water Management District
	5400 N.E. St. James Dr. Port St. Lucie, FL 34983	3300 Lewis Street Ft. Pierce, FL, 34981	780 SE Indian Street Stuart, FL 34997
Specific Title	Director	Director	Director

Article VI: The name and Florida Street address of the registered agent is <u>Jennifer Howard</u>, 5400 N.E. St. James Drive, Port St. Lucie, <u>Florida 34983</u>.

Article VII: The name and address of the incorporator is <u>Elizabeth Underwood</u>, 5400 N.E. St. James Drive, Port St. Lucie, Florida 34983.

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Article IX: Upon the dissolution of the corporation, assets shall be distributed for one or more exempt purposes within the meaning of section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code, or shall be distributed to the federal government, or to a state or local government, for a public purpose. Any such assets not so disposed of shall be disposed of by a Court of Competent Jurisdiction of the county in which the principal office of the corporation is then located, exclusively for such purposes or to such organization or organizations, as said Court shall determine, which are organized and operated exclusively for such purposes.

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.

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Signature/Incorporator

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