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# <u>ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF</u>

# THE MALCOLM DORMAN CARDIAC RESEARCH FOUNDATION INC

(a Florida Corporation, not-for-profit)

The undersigned, acting as incorporator of a Florida corporation not for profit under the Florida Not-For-Profit Corporation Act, Chapter 617 of the Florida Statutes, hereby adopts the following Articles of Incorporation for such Corporation:

# ARTICLE I

### Name

The name of the Corporation is THE MALCOLM DORMAN CARDIAC RESEARCH FOUNDATION, INC.

# **ARTICLE II**

#### Duration

The Corporation shall exist perpetually until dissolved by due process by law.

# ARTICLE III

# Principal Place of Business and Mailing Address

The principal place of business and mailing address of the Corporation shall be c/o Shutts & Bowen LLP, 525 Okecchobee Blvd., Suite 1100, West Palm Beach, FL 33401.

# ARTICLE IV

### Incorporator

The name and address of the Incorporator of these Articles of Incorporation is:

Name

Address

David A. Gart, Esquire

c/o Shutts & Bowen LLP 525 Okeechobee Blvd., Suite 1100 West Palm Beach, Florida 33401

# ARTICLE V

# General Purposes

The general purposes for which the corporation is organized are exclusively religious, charitable, and educational within the meaning of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law.

# ARTICLE VI

# Activities Not Permitted

Notwithstanding any other provision of these articles, the Corporation will not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on by (a) 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 future United States Internal Revenue Law or (b) a corporation, contributions to which are deductible under Section 170(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 or any other corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law.

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# ARTICLE VII

# Dedication and Distribution of Assets

No part of the net earnings of the Corporation shall inure to the benefit of any Director or Officer of the Corporation or any private individual (except that reasonable compensation may be paid for services rendered to or for the Corporation affecting one or more of its purposes) and no Director or Officer of the Corporation or any private individual shall be entitled to share in the distribution of any of the corporate assets upon dissolution of the Corporation. In the event of dissolution, the residual assets of the Corporation will be turned over to one or more organizations which themselves are exempt as organizations described in Section 501(c)(3) and 170(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, or the corresponding sections of any future Internal Revenue Code, or to the Federal, State, or local government for exclusive public purposes.

# ARTICLE VIII

# Management of Corporate Affairs

Board of Directors. The powers of the corporation shall be exercised, its properties controlled, and its affairs conducted by a Board of Directors. The corporation shall have three (3) Director(s) initially. The number of Directors of the corporation may be increased or diminished from time to time pursuant to the Bylaws but shall never be less than three (3). The method of selection of Directors is stated in the Bylaws of this corporation. The Directors named herein as the first Board of Directors shall hold office until the first meeting of Directors at which time an election of Directors shall be held.

Directors elected at the first annual meeting, and at all times thereafter, shall serve for a term of one year and until the election of their successors. Annual meetings shall be held at the principal office of the corporation, or at such other place or places as the Board of Directors may designate from time to time by resolution.

Any action required or permitted to be taken by the Board of Directors under any provision of law may be taken without a meeting if all members of the Board shall individually or collectively consent in writing to such action. Such written consent or consents shall be filed with the minutes of the proceedings of the Board and any such action by written consent shall have the same force and effect as if taken by unanimous vote of the Directors. Any certificate or other document filed under any provision of law which relates to action so taken shall state that the action was taken by unanimous written consent of the Board of Directors without a meeting and that the Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws of the corporation authorize the Directors to so act. Such a statement shall be prima facie evidence of such authority.

The names and addresses of such first members of the Board of Directors are as follows:

NAME ADDRESS

Malcolm Dorman 443 Ocean Blvd.

Ocean Beach, FL 33160

Simon Portnoy 4404 Bocaire Blvd.

Boca Raton, FL 33487

Arnold Berman c/o Shutts & Bowen LLP

525 Okcechobee Blvd., Suite 1100

West Palm Beach, FL 33401

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(b) <u>Corporate Officers</u>. The Board of Directors shall elect the following Officers: President, Vice President, Treasurer, and Secretary and such other Officers as the Bylaws of the Corporation may authorize, from time to time, the Directors to elect. Initially, such Officers shall be elected at the first annual meeting of the Board of Directors.

# ARTICLE IX

# Indemnification

Every person who now is or hereafter shall be a Director or Officer of the corporation shall be indemnified by the corporation against all costs and expenses (including counsel fees) hereafter reasonably incurred by or imposed upon him in connection with, or resulting from, any action, suit or proceedings of whatever nature, to which he is or shall be made a party by reason of his being or having been a Director or Officer of the corporation (whether or not he is a Director or Officer of the corporation at the time he is made a party to such action, suit or proceeding, or at the time such cost or expense is incurred by or imposed upon him) except in relation to matters as to which he shall be finally adjudged in such action, suit or proceeding to have been derelict in the performance of his duties as such Director or Officer. The right of indemnification herein provided shall not be exclusive of other rights to which any such person may now or hereafter be entitled to as a matter of law.

# ARTICLE X

# <u>Membership</u>

The Corporation shall have no members.

# ARTICLE XI

# **Bylaws**

The Board of Directors of the corporation may provide such Bylaws for the conduct of the business of the corporation and the carrying out of its purposes as such Directors may deem necessary from time to time. Upon notice properly given, the Bylaws may be amended, altered or rescinded by majority vote of the Directors present at any regular or special meeting called for that purpose, subject to any limitations set forth in the Florida Not for Profit Corporation Act concerning corporate action.

# ARTICLE XII

# Amendments to Articles of Incorporation

An amendment to these Articles of Incorporation may be proposed by any Director of the Corporation, but such amendment may be adopted only after receiving an affirmative vote of the majority of the Board of Directors.

# **ARTICLE XIII**

# Initial Registered Office and Registered Agent

The name of the initial registered agent of the Corporation is Corporation Company of Miami (DAG), 525 Okeechobee Boulevard, Suite 1100, West Palm Beach, FL 33401.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has made, subscribed and acknowledged these Articles of Incorporation on this 36 day of December, 2008, for the purpose of forming the Corporation not for profit under the laws of the State of Florida.

David A. Gart, Incorporator

# **ACCEPTANCE BY REGISTERED AGENT**

HAVING BEEN NAMED TO ACCEPT SERVICE OF PROCESS FOR THE ABOVE STATED CORPORATION, AT THE PLACE DESIGNATED IN ARTICLE XIII OF THESE ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION, THE UNDERSIGNED AGREES TO ACT IN THIS CAPACITY, AND FURTHER AGREES TO COMPLY WITH THE PROVISIONS OF ALL STATUTES RELATIVE TO THE PROPER AND COMPLETE PERFORMANCE OF ITS DUTIES.

DATED THIS 30M DAY OF DECEMBER, 2008.

James A. Farrell

Wice President

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