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## ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

OF

**Palmetto Charter School, Inc.**

The undersigned subscribers to these Articles of Incorporation hereby form a corporation not for profit under the laws of the State of Florida.

## ARTICLE I - NAME

The name of this corporation is **Palmetto Charter School, Inc.**, with its initial principal office at 1601 17th Street West, Palmetto, Florida 34221.

## ARTICLE II - DURATION

The existence of this corporation shall begin when these Articles of Incorporation have been filed with the Department of State of the State of Florida. This corporation is to exist perpetually.

## ARTICLE III - GENERAL EDUCATIONAL PURPOSES

1. Said corporation is organized exclusively for educational purposes.
2. No part of the net earnings of the corporation shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to its members, trustees, officers, or other private persons, except that the 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 paragraph 1. of this Article III. No substantial part of the activities of the corporation shall be the carrying on of propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and the 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. Notwithstanding any other provision of these articles, 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, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code, or (b) by a corporation, contributions to which are deductible under section 170(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code.
3. 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.

## ARTICLE IV - REGISTERED OFFICE AND AGENT

The street address of the initial principal office and the registered office of this corporation is 1601 17th Street West, Palmetto, Florida 34221. This corporation designates Brian D. Bustle at said registered office as the registered agent for this corporation to accept service of process within the State of Florida on behalf of this corporation. The Board of Directors may from time to time move the registered office of this corporation to any other address in the State of Florida and shall have the power to establish branch offices at such other places within the State of Florida as may be determined and deemed expedient by the Board of Directors from time to time, only as authorized by law. In and by the execution of these Articles of Incorporation, Brian

D. Bustle hereby accepts the designation as registered agent for this corporation at the place hereinabove designated and agrees to comply with all of the provisions of the law relating to keeping the office of said corporation open for the purpose of service of process.

#### ARTICLE V - DIRECTORS

This corporation shall have a Board of Directors initially consisting of three (3) directors. The number of directors may be increased from time to time by the By-Laws of this corporation, but in no event shall the number of directors be less than three (3). The manner in which the directors are elected shall be set forth in said By-Laws. The names and street addresses of the initial members of the Board of Directors are:

1. Talmadge L. Mathews Sr.  
1489 17th Street West  
Palmetto, FL 34221
2. Brian D. Bustle  
1507 20th Avenue West  
Palmetto, Florida 34221
3. Dale L. Price  
3912 16th Avenue West  
Bradenton, Florida 34205

#### ARTICLE VI - OFFICERS

The corporation shall have the following officers: President, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer, and other officers designated by the Board of Directors as set forth in the By-Laws of the corporation.

#### ARTICLE VII - SUBSCRIBERS

The names and addresses of the Incorporators of the corporation are:

1. Talmadge L. Mathews Sr.  
1489 17th Street West  
Palmetto, FL 34221
2. Brian D. Bustle  
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Palmetto, Florida 34221
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#### ARTICLE VIII - BY-LAWS

The By-Laws of this corporation are to be made by the Board of Directors and adopted by a majority vote of the Board of Directors at the first meeting of said Board, and may be altered, amended or rescinded by majority vote of the membership of the Board of Directors present at any regular or special meeting of said Board of Directors, but only as permitted by and consistent with the laws of the State of Florida.

#### ARTICLE IX - AMENDMENT

These Articles of Incorporation may be amended as set forth in the By-Laws, and consistent with Florida law.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned, being the incorporators of the corporation herein named, does certify that they are of full age and competent to contract and that the Directors named are of full age and citizens of the United States of America.

For the purpose of forming the proposed corporation above named to do business both within and without the State of Florida, and in pursuance of the general corporation law of Florida, we do make and file these Articles of Incorporation, hereby declaring and certifying that the matters above stated are true and, accordingly, have hereunto set our hands and seals this 14<sup>th</sup> day of July, A.D., 2009.

Talmadge L. Mathews Sr.  
Talmadge L. Mathews Sr.

Brian D. Bustle  
Brian D. Bustle

Dale L. Price  
Dale L. Price

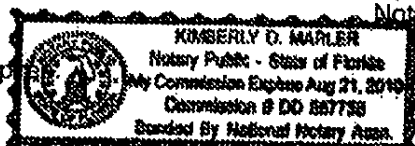
STATE OF FLORIDA  
COUNTY OF MANATEE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that on this 14<sup>th</sup> day of July, A.D., 2009, before me, a Notary Public, personally appeared Talmadge L. Mathews Sr., Brian D. Bustle and Dale L. Price who are personally known to me, and known to me to be the persons described in and who subscribed their names to the above and foregoing Articles of Incorporation, and they acknowledged that they executed the same for the uses and purposes therein stated.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, witness my hand and official seal in the County and State aforesaid the day and year above written.

Kimberly D. Marler  
Notary Public -

My Commission Expires



REGISTERED AGENT CERTIFICATE

In pursuance of Chapter 617, Florida Statutes, the following is submitted: Talmadge L. Mathews Sr., Brian D. Bustle and Dale L. Price, the original incorporators of the proposed corporation, corporation name shall have its registered office at 1507 20th Avenue West, Palmetto, Florida 34221, have Brian D. Bustle to serve as Registered Agent for the said corporation, such designation becoming effective as of the date of the approval of the Articles of Incorporation filed herewith.

Having been designated to accept service of process for the above-referenced corporation, at the address indicated in this Certificate, I hereby accept such designation and agree to comply with the State laws relating to such office.

Brian D. Bustle  
Brian D. Bustle

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