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Articles of Incorporation SECRETARY OF STATE In compliance with Chapter 617, F.F., (Not for Profit) TALLAHASSEE, FLORIDA

Article I Name
Gulfport Arts Gathering Incorporated

Article II Principal Office 3012 51st Street South Gulfport, Florida 33707

Article III Purpose

The primary purpose of Gulfport Arts Gathering Incorporated is exclusively religious, charitable, scientific, literary, or educational within the meaning of Section 501(c)(3) of Internal Revenue Code of 1986 or such other provision of state or federal law as may from time to time be applicable. The specific purpose is to restore, create, and sustain art in Gulfport, Florida.

Gulfport Arts Gathering Incorporated advances its primary purpose by: supporting artists in residence, establishing a gallery, creating a learning facility for children and adults to work with accomplished artists on their craft, and lastly, to provide a sustainable art presence in Gulfport, Florida.

Article IV Manner of election, removal, and compensation of directors. The business and charitable affairs of the corporation will be managed under the direction of a board of directors comprising not fewer than three persons and not more than nine, as determined by the board.

Directors shall be elected by the affirmative vote of the majority of the directors present at a duly held meeting of the board, except that no director shall vote for her/his own election, and shall serve for a term of three years each, but shall be so elected that approximately one-third are elected each year. A director may serve as many terms as elected. (The incorporators named in the articles of incorporation, will serve as the initial directors, who elect additional beginning directors.) Should a director die, resign, or be removed, the board may elect a director to serve the duration of the unexpired term.

Directors may be removed from office, with or without cause, by an affirmative vote of all other directors present at a duly called meeting, provided that not less than five days' and not more than thirty days' notice of such meeting, stating that removal of such director is to be on the agenda, shall be given to each director.

No part of the net earnings of the corporation shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to the 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 Article Three hereof. The property of this corporation is irrevocably dedicated to Gulfport Gathering Arts Inc. 501(c)(3) exempt purposes(s) and no part of the net income or assets of this corporation shall ever inure to the benefit of any director, officer, or member thereof, or to the benefit of any private individual.

Article V Political and Legislative Activity.

No substantial part of the activities of Gulfport Arts Gathering Incorporated 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, this corporation shall not, except to an insubstantial degree, engage in any activities or exercise any powers that are in furtherance of the purposes set forth in Article Three hereof.

Article VI Duration and Dissolution

Gulfport Arts Gathering Incorporated shall continue in perpetuity, however, if dissolution of Gulfport Arts Gathering Incorporated is necessary, 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. And 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 VII Initial Directors/Trustees

Peggy J. Wesselink PhD 3012 51st Street South Gulfport, Florida 33707

Karen R. Schroeder MSW 5131 27th Ave. S Gulfport, Fl 33707

Daniel Hodge MSLIS 4920 29th Avenue South Gulfport, Fl 33707

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Article VIII Initial Registered Agent and Street Address Peggy J. Wesselink 3012 51st Street South Gulfport, Florida 33707

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Article IX Incorporator Peggy J Wesselink 3012 51st Street South Gulfport, Florida 33707

Having been named as registered agent to accept service of process for the above stated corporation at the place designated in the certificate, I am familiar with and accept the appointment as registered agent and agree to act in this capacity.

Signature/Registered Agent

Signature/Incorporator

6 Jan 2010

Date

Date