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- Department of State Division of Corporations P. O. Box 6327 Tallahassee, FL 32314

SUBJECT: Palatka Railroad Preservation Society, Incorporated (PROPOSED CORPORATE NAME - MUST INCLUDE SUFFIX)

Enclosed is an original	and one (1) copy of the Arti	icles of Incorporation and	d a check for:	1	
\$70.00 Filing Fee	\$78.75 Filing Fee & Certificate of Status	\$78.75 Filing Fee & Certified Copy	\$87.50 Filing Fee, Certified Copy & Certificate		
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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 NAME

The name of the corporation shall be:

Palatka Railroad Preservation Society, Incorporated

ARTICLE II PRINCIPAL OFFICE

The principal place of business and mailing address of this corporation shall be:

222 North 11th Street Palatka, FL 32177

ARTICLE III PURPOSE

The purpose for which the corporation is organized is:

This corporation is organized exclusively for charitable and educational purposes as specified in Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, in compliance with Chapter 617, F.S.

- (a) No part of the net earnings shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to, any member, 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 and to make other payments and distributions in furtherance of one or more of its purposes), and no member, director or officer of the Corporation, or any private individual shall be entitled to share in the distribution of any of the corporate assets on dissolution of the Corporation.
- (b) No substantial part of the activities of the Corporation shall be carrying on propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation (except as otherwise provided by Internal Revenue Code Section 501(h)), or participating in, or intervening in (including the publication or distribution of statements), any political campaign on behalf of or in opposition to any candidate for public office.
- (c) Notwithstanding any other provisions of these Articles of Incorporation, the Corporation shall not carry on any activities not permitted to be carried on (i) by an organization exempt for Federal Income Tax under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 or (ii) by a Corporation, contributions to which are deductible under Section 170(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (or the corresponding provisions of any future United States Internal Revenue Law).
- (d) Notwithstanding any other provisions of these Articles of Incorporation, neither the Corporation, nor any member, director or officer of the Corporation or any private individual shall engage in any act of self-dealing as defined in Section 4941 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, or corresponding provision of any subsequent federal tax laws; nor fail to distribute an amount of income required to avoid incurring tax liability under Section 4942 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, or corresponding provision of any subsequent federal tax laws; nor retain any excess business holdings as defined in Section 4943 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, or corresponding provision of any subsequent federal tax laws; nor make any investment in such a as to subject the Corporation to tax under Section 4944 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, or corresponding provision of any subsequent federal tax laws; nor make any taxable expenditures as defined in Section 4945 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, or corresponding provision of any subsequent federal tax laws.
- (e) In the event of the liquidation, dissolution or winding up of the Corporation, whether voluntary or involuntary or by operation of law, all of the remaining assets and property of the Corporation shall, after necessary expenses thereof, be distributed to organizations which then qualify as tax exempt organizations under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, as amended, as the Board of Directors may direct.

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ARTICLE IV MANNER OF ELECTION

The manner in which the directors or elected or appointed:

The governing body consists of the Board of Directors. The Board consists of four officers and three directors at large. They shall serve a term of two (2) years beginning November 1st. The President, Treasurer, and one Director at large, elected in odd numbered years, and the Vice President, Secretary, and two Directors at large, elected in even numbered years Nominations will be accepted from the floor at the July meeting, with voting by secret ballot at the October meeting. Board elections shall be held annually, for officers and directors Candidates receiving a two-thirds (2/3) majority vote of the membership present shall be elected. The Board of Directors shall fill any vacancy for the remainder of that director or officer's term by approval of a majority of the board.

ARTICLE V INITIAL DIRECTORS AND/OR OFFICERS

List name(s), address(es), and specific title(s):

Marvis R. Champion, President 143 Sportsman Club Road

Satsuma, FL 32189

Jerry W. Iser, Vice-President 1103 River Street Palatka, FL32177

Raymond Lucas, Treasurer 103 Pinecrest Court San Mateo, FL 32187 Marie H. Blasczyk, Secretary 1705 Palma Ceia Street Palatka, FL 32177

Donald W. Sparks, Director 401 Martha Avenue Interlachen, FL 32148 Howard S. Blasczyk, Director 1705 Palma Ceia Street Palatka, FL 32177

Jonathan W. Filion, Director 1703 President Street Palatka, FL 32177

ARTICLE VI INITIAL REGISTERED AGENT AND STREET ADDRESS

The name and Florida street address of the registered agent is:

Marvis R. Champion 143 Sportsman Club Road Satsuma, FL 32189

ARTICLE VII INCORPORATOR

The name and address of the incorporator is:

Howard S. Blasczyk 1705 Palma Ceia Street Palatka, FL 32177 2010 NOV -4 PH 3: 56

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.

Signature/Registered Agent

Signature/Incorporator

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Date / / 2