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**VIA FEDERAL EXPRESS** 

Re: Nancy A. & Richard P. Erickson Foundation, Inc...

Dear Sir/Madame:

Enclosed is an original and 2 copies of the Articles of Incorporation for the *Nancy A. & Richard P. Erickson Foundation, Inc.* I have also enclosed my check in the amount of \$78.75 to cover the filing fee, registered agent designation, and for a certified copy of the Certificate.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

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**Enclosures** 

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## Articles of Incorporation SECRETARY OF STATE TALL ANASSES, ELORGO.

of

### Nancy A. & Richard P. Erickson Foundation, Inc.

The undersigned subscriber to the Articles of Incorporation, who is a natural person competent to contract, hereby forms a corporation under the laws of the State of Florida as follows:

#### ARTICLE !

The name of this corporation is **Nancy A. & Richard P. Erickson Foundation, Inc.** The date when corporate existence shall commence shall be the date subscribed below.

#### **ARTICLE II**

The principal place of business and mailing address of the corporation is:

1800 Second Street Suite 780, Sarasota, Florida, 34236

#### **ARTICLE III**

This Corporation is organized pursuant to Florida Statutes Section 617.0301 for any lawful purpose not for pecuniary profit and not specifically prohibited to corporations under other laws of this state. Such purposes include but are not limited to, charitable, benevolent, eleemosynary, educational, historical, civic, patriotic, literary, cultural, athletic, scientific, agricultural, horticultural, and commercial, or industrial, 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

The corporation shall have TWO (2) directors initially. The number of directors may be increased or diminished from time to time by Bylaws adopted by the shareholders, provided that the corporation shall always have at least one (1) director. The names and

street addresses of the initial directors of this corporation, who shall serve until successors are duly elected and qualified, are:

Richard P. Erickson 771 Emerald Harbor Drive Longboat Key, Florida 34228 Nancy A. Erickson 771 Emerald Harbor Drive Longboat Key, Florida 34228

#### **ARTICLE V**

The street address of the initial registered office of this corporation is 1800 Second Street, Suite 780, Sarasota, FL 34236, and the name of its initial registered agent at such address is DAVID A. STEVES, whose acceptance of designation as registered agent is below.

#### Acceptance:

I hereby agree to serve as Registered Agent of Nancy A. & Richard P. Erickson Foundation Inc, and state that I am raphillar with and accept the obligations of Registered Agent.

DAVID A. STEVES, Registered Agent

#### **ARTICLE VI**

The name and street address of the incorporator signing these Articles of Incorporation is:

Richard P. Erickson, 771 Emerald Harbor Drive, Longboat Key, Florida 34228

#### **ARTICLE VII**

The corporation shall have power to:

- (1) Have succession by its corporate name for the period set forth in Article II above.
- (2) Sue and be sued and appear and defend in all actions and proceedings in its corporate name to the same extent as a natural person.
- (3) Adopt, use, and alter a common corporate seal. However, such seal must always contain the words "corporation not for profit."
  - (4) Elect or appoint such officers and agents as its affairs shall require.
- (5) Adopt, change, amend, and repeal bylaws, not inconsistent with law or its articles of incorporation, for the administration of the affairs of the corporation and the exercise of its corporate powers.
- (6) Increase, by a vote cast as the bylaws may direct, the number of its directors so that the number shall not be less than three but may be any number in excess thereof.
- (7) Make contracts and incur liabilities, borrow money at such rates of interest as the corporation may determine, issue its notes, bonds, and other obligations, and secure any of its obligations by mortgage and pledge of all or any of its property, franchises, or income.

- (8) Conduct its affairs, carry on its operations, and have offices and exercise the powers granted by this act in any state, territory, district, or possession of the United States or any foreign country.
- (9) Purchase, take, receive, lease, take by gift, devise, or bequest, or otherwise acquire, own, hold, improve, use, or otherwise deal in and with real or personal property, or any interest therein, wherever situated.
- (10) Acquire, enjoy, utilize, and dispose of patents, copyrights, and trademarks and any licenses and other rights or interests thereunder or therein.
- (11) Sell, convey, mortgage, pledge, lease, exchange, transfer, or otherwise dispose of all or any part of its property and assets.
- (12) Purchase, take, receive, subscribe for, or otherwise acquire, own, hold, vote, use, employ, sell, convey, mortgage, lend, pledge, or otherwise dispose of and otherwise use and deal in and with, shares and other interests in, or obligations of, other domestic or foreign corporations, whether for profit or not for profit, associations, partnerships, or individuals, or direct or indirect obligations of the United States, or of any other government, state, territory, governmental district, municipality, or of any instrumentality thereof.
- (13) Lend money for its corporate purposes, invest and reinvest its funds, and take and hold real and personal property as security for the payment of funds loaned or invested except as prohibited by s. 617.0833.
- (14) Have and exercise all powers necessary or convenient to affect any or all of the purposes for which the corporation is organized.

However notwithstanding anything in these Articles of Incorporation to the contrary, 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 Article Third hereof. 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.

#### **ARTICLE VIII**

The power to adopt, alter, or amend the Bylaws shall be vested in the Board of Directors of this corporation.

#### **ARTICLE IX**

These Articles of Incorporation may be amended in the manner provided by law.

#### ARTICLE X

Upon the dissolution of this corporation, the assets of this corporation 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.

Richard P. Erickson

STATE OF FLORIDA COUNTY OF SARASOTA

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this \_\_\_\_\_\_ day of December, 2010.

My Commission Expires:



Notary Public

SECRETARY OF STATE

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