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January 4, 2011

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

Re: HILLIARD HIGH SCHOOL FOUNDATION, INC.

Ladies/Gentlemen:

Enclosed please find original and one copy of Articles of Incorporation for the above entity, duly executed and notarized, together with a check in the amount of \$78.75 for your filing fee.

If you have any questions, please feel free to call me directly. Thank you for your prompt attention to this matter.

Sincerely

Clyde W. Davis

CWD/dlr Enclosures

ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF HILLIARD HIGH SCHOOL FOUNDATION, INC.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned incorporators, being of full age, having associated together for the purpose of forming a corporation not for profit, without capital stock, under the

provisions of Chapter 617, <u>Florida Statutes</u> and do hereby accept all of the rights, privileges, benefits and obligations conferred and imposed by such law, and do hereby make, subscribe, acknowledge and file these Articles of Incorporation.

ARTICLE I - NAME

The name of the Corporation is: HILLIARD HIGH SCHOOL FOUNDATION, INC.

ARTICLE II - CORPORATE PURPOSE

The goal and purpose of the Corporation shall be to benefit the community of Hilliard, Nassau County, Florida, to generally provide support, aid and assistance to the members of the general public, to improve the health and welfare in Northeast Florida and, specifically to increase the general knowledge of those in the community in the arts and sciences, and:

a. Provide financial assistance in the form of scholarships and grants to those students who graduate from Hilliard Middle-Senior High School, in Hilliard, Nassau County, Florida, and who wish to further pursue their education and training. The focus of such assistance will be directed to those who wish to pursue education and practical training in the areas of nursing, dental assistants and hygienist and other practical health-related fields; automotive/diesel and heavy equipment mechanics and body-work; brick-laying, carpentry, masonry, plumbing, electricians, and related building trades; electronics and computer technology; refrigeration, welding and metallurgy; cooking, pastry, and culinary arts; barber and cosmetology; and all other areas of practical knowledge and skill; and

b. Provide grants and financial assistance to classroom educators at Hilliard Middle-Senior High School who provide special programs, purchase classroom equipment and otherwise provide support to those student who wish to pursue education and training in the skills, arts, and sciences outlined in Article II, section a., above.

ARTICLE III - MEMBERSHIP

<u>Section 1: Eligibility</u>. Any individual sincerely interested in active participation to effect the objectives of this organization shall be eligible for membership. Membership may not be denied on the basis of race, color, religious preference, disability, or national origin.

Section 2: Application for Membership. Any applicant meeting the qualifications set forth above and desiring to become a member of the Corporation shall make application on a form supplied by the Corporation and accompanied by such membership fees and dues as the Directors may from time to time determine. No person may be denied membership on the basis of race, color, age, or religious preference.

Section 3: Termination of Membership. Membership may be terminated by expulsion for a just cause or by resignation with thirty (30)days prior written notice to the Directors. Expulsion for just cause shall be according to the procedures found in the by-laws of the organization, as the same may be adopted from time to time.

ARTICLE IV - EXISTENCE AND DURATION

Existence of the Association commenced with the filing of these Articles of Incorporation with the Secretary of State, Tallahassee, Florida. The Association shall exist in perpetuity.

ARTICLE V - MANAGEMENT

Section 1. The affairs of the Corporation shall be managed by a Board of Directors, elected as provided in the by-laws. The Board of Directors shall initially consist of two (2) individuals and

shall never be less than one (1).

ARTICLE VI - INITIAL OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS

The names and residence address of the officers and directors who are to manage all of the affairs of the Corporation until the first annual meeting are:

NAME: MAILING ADDRESS: STREET ADDRESS:

SPOTSWOOD B. WATKINS P.O. Box 1567 SAME

Hilliard, FL 32046

CLYDE W. DAVIS 960185 Gateway Blvd. #104 SAME

Fernandina Beach, FL 32034

ARTICLE VII - <u>BYLAWS AND AMENDMENTS</u> TO THE ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

The bylaws of the Corporation shall be made, altered or rescinded by a majority vote of the voting membership present or voting by proxy at any regular meeting, or by a majority vote of the Board of Directors; provided that notice thereof, which shall include the text of the Bylaws change, has been furnished in writing to each voting member of the Corporation at least ten days prior to the meeting at which such alteration to the Bylaws is to be voted upon, whether it be a membership meeting or a Board of Directors' meeting.

The Articles of Incorporation of this Corporation shall be amended or additional; provisions added or adopted by a two-thirds vote of the members of the Board of Directors present or voting by proxy at any meeting thereof; provided that notice thereof, which shall include the text of the change to Articles of Incorporation has been furnished in writing to each voting member of the Corporation at least ten days prior to the meeting at which such Articles of Incorporation change is to be voted upon, followed by the compliance with the Florida Statutes regarding amendments to articles of incorporation of non-profit corporations.

ARTICLE VIII - GENERAL

All income and assets of the Corporation, above necessary expenses, shall be administered solely and exclusively for the corporate purposes as directed by the Board of Directors.

This Corporation shall have no capital stock and shall pay no dividends to its incorporators, directors, officers or members. In addition, no part of the income of the corporation shall be distributed to its members, directors, officers or incorporators; provided that the Corporation may pay compensation in a reasonable amount to its members, directors, and officers for services rendered and may confer benefits upon its members in conformity with its purposes.

ARTICLE IX - SUBSCRIBERS

The names and residence address of the subscribers to this Corporation are as follows:

SPOTSWOOD B. WATKINS P.O. Box 1567 Hilliard, FL 32046

CLYDE W. DAVIS 960185 Gatway Blvd., Ste. 104 Fernandina Beach, FL 32034

ARTICLE X - REGISTERED OFFICE AND REGISTERED AGENT

The above-named incorporator, desiring to organize this Corporation under the laws of the State of Florida, hereby designates the Corporation's Principal/Registered office to be located at 960185 Gateway Blvd., Ste. 104, Fernandina Beach, Florida 32034, and hereby designates and appoints Clyde W. Davis as the initial Registered Agent of the Corporation, to accept service of process within this State, to serve in such capacity until his successors are selected and duly designated.

ARTICLE XI - INDEMNIFICATION

The Corporation shall indemnify an officer, director or employee of the Corporation, or any former officer, director or employee of the Corporation, to the full extent permitted by and as set

forth in the Florida General Corporation Act.

ARTICLE XIII - PROHIBITED ACTIVITIES

The Corporation shall not:

- 1. Attempt to influence legislation as a substantial part of its activities.
- 2. Allow any part of its net income to inure to the benefit of officers, directors or members of the Corporation, or to any other individuals, except in the furtherance of its charitable purposes.
- 3. Participate to any extent in any political campaign for or against any candidate for public office.
- 4. Conduct any activities not permitted to be carried on by organizations exempt under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, as amended, and its regulations as they now exist or as they may hereafter be amended, or by any organization, contribution s to which are deductible under Section 170(c)(2) of such Code and regulations as they now exist or as they may hereafter be amended.

ARTICLE XIII - DEDICATION OF ASSETS

The Corporation dedicates all assets which it may acquire to the charitable purpose set forth in Article II hereof. In the event that the Corporation shall dissolve or otherwise terminate its corporate existence, subject to the provisions of Chapters 607 and 617, Florida Statutes, the Corporation shall distribute all its existing assets to one or more organizations which themselves are exempt as organizations described in Sections 501(c)(3) and 170(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 or corresponding sections of any prior or future law, or to the Federal government or to a state or local government for exclusive public purpose.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned have subscribed their names under seal this day of January, 2011.

OTSWOOD B. WATKINS CLYDE Y

STATE OF FLORIDA) **COUNTY OF NASSAU)**

Before me, the undersigned authority, personally appeared: SPOTSWOOD B.WATKINS and CLYDE W. DAVIS to me well known to me to be the persons described in or who produced as identification:

who did not take

an oath, and who subscribed their name to the foregoing Articles of Incorporation, and whose acknowledged before me that they executed such Articles of Incorporation for the purposes therein

expressed.

NOTARY PUBLIC

My Commission expires:

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ACCEPTANCE OF REGISTERED AGENT

Having been named to accept service of process for HILLIARD HIGH SCHOOL FOUNDATION, INC., at the place designated in the ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION or a corporate resolution of said corporation:

REGISTERED AGENT:

Clyde W. Davis

REGISTERED ADDRESS:

960185 Gateway Blvd., Ste. 104 Fernandina Beach, FL 32034

agrees to act in this capacity, and agrees to comply with the provisions of Section 48.091 relative to keeping open such office.

DATE: <u>(un 3</u>, 2011

CLYDE W. DAVIS