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**FLORIDA PROFIT/NON PROFIT CORPORATION****American Billfish Foundation Inc.**

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# TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Department of State  
Division of Corporations  
P. O. Box 6327  
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**SUBJECT:** American Billfish Foundation Inc.

(PROPOSED CORPORATE NAME - MUST INCLUDE SUFFIX)

Enclosed is an original and one(1) copy of the articles of incorporation and a check for :

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**ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION**

In Compliance with Chapter 617, F.S., (Not for Profit)

**ARTICLE I NAME**

The name of the corporation shall be:

American Billfish Foundation Inc.

**ARTICLE II PRINCIPAL OFFICE**

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

6971 Carlowe Av., Pt. St. John, Florida 32927.

**ARTICLE III PURPOSE**

The purpose for which the corporation is organized is:

Please see attached

**ARTICLE IV MANNER OF ELECTION**

The manner in which the directors are elected or appointed:

The method by which the directors of the corporation are elected or appointed will be stated in the bylaws.

**ARTICLE V INITIAL DIRECTORS AND/OR OFFICERS**

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

Vernon W. Kennedy, Pres., Dir. 6971 Carlowe Ave., Port St. John, FL 32927

Mary E. Kennedy, Sec., Tres., Dir. 6971 Carlowe Ave., Port St. John, FL 32927

Deborah Romine, Dir. 435 Coastal Ave. Bowling Green, KY 42103

**ARTICLE VI INITIAL REGISTERED AGENT AND STREET ADDRESS**The name and Florida street address of the registered agent is:

United States Corporation Agents, Inc., 13302 Winding Oaks Blvd., Suite A, Tampa, FL 33612

**ARTICLE VII INCORPORATOR**The name and address of the incorporator is:

Matt Pfeiling, Legalzoom.com, Inc., 101 N. Brand Blvd., 11th Floor, Glendale, CA 91203

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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 Matt Pfeiling, United States Corporation Agents, Inc.Date 5/3/11Signature/Incorporator Matt Pfeiling, LegalZoom.com, Inc., Asslt. SecretaryDate 5/3/11

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**Attachment to  
Articles of Incorporation of  
American Billfish Foundation Inc.**

Additional members of the initial Board of Directors is/are:

Name of Director

Address

Vernon W. Kennedy III

5842 Meadowbrook Lane, Hilliard, OH 43026

John Kennedy

135 Pihaa, La Haina, HI 96761

Mary Kathryn Clark

134 Magnolia Farm Road, Quincy, FL 32351

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**American Billfish Foundation Inc.**

Said organization is organized exclusively for charitable, religious, educational, and scientific purposes, including, for such purposes, the making of distributions to organizations that qualify as exempt organizations under the section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code. The business activity for said organization is as follows: the corporation will be engaged in the study of the migratory patterns and feeding habits of both Atlantic and Pacific Billfish and further the education of otherwise disadvantaged young children to learn from these studies as learned from a "hands on" basis.

No part of the net earnings of this organization shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to, its members, trustees, officers, or other private persons, except that the organization 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 the purpose clause hereof. No substantial part of the activities of this organization shall be the carrying on propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and this organization shall not participate in, or intervene in (including the publishing or distribution of statements), any political campaign on behalf of any candidate for public office. Notwithstanding any other provision of this document, the corporation shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on (a) by an organization exempt from federal income tax under section 501(c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code, or (b) by an organization, 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.

Upon the dissolution of this corporation, assets remaining shall be distributed for one or more exempt purposes within the meaning of Section 501(c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or 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 disposed of shall be disposed by the Court of Common Pleas of the county in which the principal office of the organization 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.

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