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ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF SAINT AUGUSTINE MONTESSORI COMMUNITY, INC. 28/11 MAY 23 PM 2: 27

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

PREAMBLE

The undersigned citizens of the United States, desiring to form a not for profit corporation under the Florida Not For Profit Corporation Act, Chapter 617, Florida Statutes, certify and acknowledge the following:

ARTICLE I. CORPORATE NAME

The name of the Corporation Not for Profit shall be Saint Augustine Montessori Community, Inc. ("Corporation").

ARTICLE II. DURATION

The duration of the Corporation shall be perpetual.

ARTICLE III. PRINCIPAL OFFICE & MAILING ADDRESS

The principal office and mailing address of the Corporation shall be 268 Saint George Street, Saint Augustine, Florida, 32084

ARTICLE IV. GENERAL AND SPECIFIC PURPOSE

The Corporation is organized exclusively for charitable and educational purposes in the public interest within the meaning of § 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, including, but not limited to, the operation of a Florida public charter school, known as Saint Augustine Public Montessori School. Within the context of the Montessori educational philosophy, the Corporation will strive for age, sex, ethnic, racial, and socioeconomic diversity, and will seek to nurture the potential of every child to become intrinsically motivated and to love learning now and for a lifetime.

ARTICLE V. ELECTION OF CORPORATE DIRECTORS

The directors of the Corporation shall be elected in accordance with methods and qualifications specified in the bylaws of the Corporation. In no event, shall the number of directors be fewer than three.

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ARTICLE VI. POWERS

The powers of the Corporation shall be provided in the bylaws of the Corporation in accordance with Chapter 617, Florida Statutes with the following limitations within the meaning of §501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, as may amended. 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.

- 1. No part of the net earnings of the Corporation shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributed to its members, directors, officers or other private interests. However, the Corporation shall be authorized and empowered to pay a reasonable flat salary for services rendered by its employees and to make payments and other distributions in furtherance of the purposes set forth in Article IV.
- 2. Only an insubstantial amount of the activities of the Corporation shall be in furtherance of a purpose not set forth in Article IV.
- 3. Only an insubstantial amount of the activities of the Corporation shall be the carrying on of propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, within the meaning of §501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, as may be amended, unless the Corporation elects the provisions of § 501(h) of the Internal Revenue Code, as may amended.
- 4. In no event shall the Corporation have the power to participate in, or intervene in, including the publishing or distributing of statements, any political campaign on behalf of, or in opposition to, any candidate for public office, all within the meaning of § 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, as may be amended.
- 5. In the event the Corporation chooses to litigate, using its own staff attorneys on behalf of its members or other clients, the Corporation shall comply with the guidelines provided within Revenue Procedure 92-59, 1992-2 C.B. 411-12, as may be amended, superseded or modified. The bylaws of the Corporation shall adopt these provisions accordingly.

ARTICLE VII. MEETINGS

1.) After incorporation, the appropriate members of the Corporation shall hold an organizational meeting in accordance with Chapter 617, Florida Statutes, as amended.

2.) The board of directors of the Corporation may participate in a regular or special meeting by, or conduct the meeting through, the use of any means of communication which allows all directors participating to simultaneously hear one another. A director participating in such a meeting is deemed present at the meeting. In the alternative, the board of directors may take actions through signed e-mail communications provided all board members agree.

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ARTICLE VIII. INCORPORATORS

The names and addresses of the Incorporators are: Margaret Jean McDowell, 268 Saint George Street, Saint Augustine, FL 32084, and David Lowther, 268 Saint George Street, Saint Augustine, FL 32084.

ARTICLE IX. DISSOLUTION

Upon dissolution and upon payment or adequate discharge of all liabilities and obligations, the assets of the Corporation shall be distributed for one or more exempt purposes within the meaning of § 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, as amended, or shall be distributed to a State or the Federal government for a public purpose.

ARTICLE X. REGISTERED AGENT AND OFFICE

The Registered Agent of the Corporation is Margaret Jean McDowell and the Registered Office of the Corporation is 268 Saint George Street, Saint Augustine, FL 32084.

ACCEPTANCE BY REGISTERED AGENT

Having been appointed the Registered Agent of the Saint Augustine Montessori Community, Inc., and to accept service of process for the above stated corporation at the place designated in this certificate, I hereby accept the appointment and agree to act in this capacity. I further agree to comply with the provisions of all statutes relating to the proper and complete performance of my duties, and I am familiar with and accept the obligations of my position as registered agent.

I submit this document and affirm that the facts stated herein are true. I am aware that any false information submitted in a document to the Department of State constitutes a third degree felony as provided for in s.817.155, F.S.

Dated this 13 day of 120 day of 13.

Margaret Jean McDowell

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