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# ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF

Gulf Coast Sport Club, Inc.

(A Corporation Not-For-Profit)

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The undersigned, in order to form a Not for Profit corporation under the provisions of the Florida Not for Profit Corporation Act (Chapter 617 Florida Statutes), hereby signs, verifies and submits the following Articles of Incorporation.

#### ARTICLE I

#### NAME

The name of the Corporation shall be "Gulf Coast Sport Club, Inc." (hereinafter referred to as the "Corporation)."

#### ARTICLE II

#### INITIAL AND PRINCIPAL OFFICE AND PLACE OF BUSINESS

The initial and principal office and place of business of the Corporation shall be 3489 Gulf Breeze Parkway, Gulf Breeze, FL 32563 or at such other place as may be designated, from time to time, by the Board of Directors (the "Board").

#### ARTICLE III

#### **DURATION**

The term of duration of the Corporation is perpetual, unless it is dissolved pursuant to any applicable provision of the Florida Statutes.

# ARTICLE IV

## **PURPOSE AND POWERS**

The sole purpose of the Corporation is to operate private social club(s) in Florida, all exclusively for the recreation, pleasure, and benefit of its members, and for other nonprofitable purposes To carry out this purpose, the Corporation shall be empowered to acquire, rent, lease, let, hold, own, buy, convey, mortgage, bond, sell or assign property, real, personal or mixed, to borrow money and to lend money, whether secured or unsecured, and to do and perform all such other acts and things as are allowed by the laws of the State of Florida with respect to corporations not-for-profit, unless otherwise restricted by these Articles or the By-Laws.

#### ARTICLE V

#### CAPITAL STOCK

The Corporation shall have no capital stock and shall be composed of members rather than shareholders. Certificates of membership shall be issued to qualified members.

#### ARTICLE VI

# PROHIBITION AGAINST DISTRIBUTION OF INCOME

The Corporation does not permit pecuniary gain or profit. No dividend shall be paid and no part of the income of the Corporation shall inure to the benefit of any member, Board member or officer, and as such they will have no interest in or title to any of the property or assets of the Corporation. Nothing herein shall prohibit the Corporation from reimbursing its Board members and officers for expenses reasonably incurred in performing services rendered to the Corporation, nor shall anything herein be construed to prohibit payment by the Corporation of compensation in a reasonable amount to a Board member or officer for services rendered to the Corporation in a capacity other than as a Board member or officer, but only as approved by the Board.

#### ARTICLE VII

#### **MEMBERS**

The Corporation shall have members. The members of the Corporation shall be those persons to whom membership certificates are issued, as provided in Article VIII herein below.

# ARTICLE VIII MEMBERSHIPS

Eligibility for and procedures for issuing such memberships shall be as provided in the By-Laws. Members shall have such voting rights and shall pay such membership, initiation and other fees, assessments, dues and charges as provided in the By-Laws.

#### ARTICLE IX

#### TRANSFER OF MEMBERSHIP

A membership may be transferred only through reissuance of the membership certificate evidencing such membership by the Corporation in accordance with the procedure set forth in the By-Laws.

#### **ARTICLE X**

#### **BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

- A. The Board of Directors shall be comprised of members. The number, authority and qualifications of members of the Board of Directors shall be as provided in the By-Laws. Each member of the Board of Directors shall serve for a term of one (1) year and until their successors shall be selected.
- B. The Board of Directors will be responsible for the administration of the Corporation, and will have the exclusive authority to establish membership and initiation fees, set dues and assessments, establish rules and regulations and, in general, control the management and officers of the Corporation in accordance with the provisions of the By-Laws.
- C. The number of Directors may either be increased or decreased from time to time, in accordance with the By-Laws, but shall never be less than three (3).
  - D. The names and addresses of the initial board of directors are as follows:

Zhen Po Guo, 2615 Leguene Drive Apt# 3205, Biloxi, MS 39531 Jennifer Goode, 7318 Manatee St., Navarre, FL32566 RoseMary McKissick, 1157 Belde Lane, Gulf Breeze, FL 32563

#### ARTICLE XI

#### **OFFICERS**

The affairs of the Corporation shall be managed by a President, a Secretary and a Treasurer and such other officers and assistant officers as the Board from time to time determines appropriate. The officers of the Corporation shall be selected by the Board of Directors at its organizational meeting. Each Officer shall serve for a term of one (1) year and until their successors shall be selected. Officers shall be selected from the board members.

#### ARTICLE XII

#### REMOVAL OF DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS

Any Board member or office may be removed with or without cause and for any reason prior to the expiration of his or her term in the following manner:

- A. Any Board member may be removed with or without cause and for any reason, upon a petition to the Board of Directors in writing signed by twenty percent (20%) of the members then entitled to vote and the approval of such recall, at a meeting of the members at which a quorum is present, by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the members voting at such meeting, either in person or by proxy. The Board of Directors shall call a special meeting to be held within sixty (60) days after receipt of the petition and notice shall be given to all members at least ten (10) days prior to such meeting in the manner provided in the By-Laws for giving notice of special meetings. At any such meeting the subject Board member shall be given the opportunity to be heard.
- B. Any officer may be removed with or without cause, and for any reason, by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the Board of Directors.

#### **ARTICLE XIII**

#### LIABILITY FOR DEBTS AND INDEMNIFICATION

Neither the members nor the officers or Directors of the Corporation shall be liable for the debts of the Corporation. The Corporation shall indemnify and hold harmless each person who shall serve at any time as a Board member or officer of the Corporation from and against any and all claims and liabilities to which such persons shall become subject by reason of his having been, or hereafter being, a Board member or officer of the Corporation, or by reason of any action alleged to have been taken or omitted by him as a Board member or officer, and shall promptly pay each such person for all attorneys' fees (including appeals) and other expenses reasonably incurred by him in connection with any such claim or liability.

#### ARTICLE XIV

#### AMENDMENT OF BY-LAWS

- A. The By-Laws may be altered or amended, by two-thirds (2/3) of the votes cast in person or by proxy at any duly called and constituted annual or special meeting of the members at which a quorum is present. A proposed amendment must be set forth in the notice of the meeting.
- B. The By-Laws may also be altered or amended without a meeting by written consent, provided (i) the request for the members' consents sets forth the text of the proposed amendment; (ii) signed consents are delivered to the office of the Corporation within ten (10) business days from the date of mailing of the request for such consent to the voting members by

the Corporation; and (iii) such written consents are given within the specified time by two-thirds (2/3) of the members who are eligible to vote.

#### ARTICLE XV

# AMENDMENT OF ARTICLES AND APPROVAL OF OTHER MAJOR ACTIONS

A majority vote of all of the voting members of the Corporation and a majority vote of all of the voting members of the Board of Directors will be required to authorize or approve any of the following actions:

- A. Merger or consolidation of the Corporation with another entity, and
- B. Voluntary dissolution of the Corporation.

Notwithstanding the above, an affirmative vote of ninety percent (90%) of all of the Members entitled to vote shall be required to authorize or approve the sale, lease, exchange, transfer or other disposition of all or substantially all of the Corporation's assets.

#### ARTICLE XVI

#### MEMBERSHIP FEES

Membership and initiation fees shall be in such amounts as may be fixed, from time to time, by the Board of Directors in accordance with the provisions of the By-Laws. All membership and initiation fees shall be paid to the Corporation.

#### **ARTICLE XVII**

### DUES, ASSESSMENTS AND CHARGES

Members shall pay dues, assessments and charges in accordance with the By-Laws.

#### ARTICLE XVIII

#### MANAGEMENT AGREEMENT

The Board of Directors may authorize the officers of the Corporation to enter into a management agreement with any person, firm or corporation to manage the affairs of the Corporation.

#### **ARTICLE XIX**

#### **CONTRACTUAL POWERS**

In the absence of fraud, no contract or other transaction ("matter") between the Corporation and any other person, firm, association, corporation or partnership ("parties" or "party," as the case may be) shall be affected or invalidated by the fact that any Board member or officer of the Corporation is pecuniarily or otherwise interested in, or is a director, officer or member of any such other party, or is pecuniarily or otherwise interested in such matter, or in any way connected with any parties pecuniarily or otherwise interested therein, provided such contract or transaction has been fully disclosed in writing to the Board of Directors prior to its inception. Any Board member may be counted in determining the existence of a quorum at any meeting of the Board for the purpose of authorizing such matter with like force and effect as if he or she were not so interested, or were not a director, member or officer of such other party; however, a Board member who has disclosed a pecuniary or other interest in a matter may not cast a vote on any such matter.

#### ARTICLE XX

#### DISSOLUTION

In the event of dissolution or final liquidation of the Corporation, all of the property and assets of the Corporation, after payment of its debts, shall be distributed among its members in accordance with the Bylaws.

#### ARTICLE XXI

#### **INCORPORATOR**

The name and address of the incorporator of the Corporation is as follows:

<u>Name</u>

<u>Address</u>

Zhen Po Guo

2615 Leguene Drive, Apt. 3205 Biloxi, MS 39531

#### ARTICLE XXII

#### REGISTERED OFFICE AND REGISTERED AGENT

The address of the initial registered office of the Corporation shall be 3489 Gulf Breeze Parkway, Gulf Breeze, FL 32563. The name of the initial registered agent of the corporation at such address shall be Zhen Po Guo.

# Acceptance of Appointment

Zhen Po Guo hereby accepts appointment of Registered Agent in the State of Florida for Gulf Coast Sport Club, Inc. I understand that as agent for the Corporation, it will be my responsibility to receive service of process in the name of the Corporation; to forward all mail to the Corporation; and to immediately notify the office of the Secretary of State in the event of my resignation, or of any changes in the registered office of the corporation for which I am agent. I further agree to comply with the provisions of all statutes relating to the proper performance of my duties, and I am familiar with and accept the obligations of my position as registered agent.

Zhen Po Guo, Registered Agent

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has signed these Articles of Incorporation

this 10 day of Angist, 2012.

Zhen Po Guo, Incorporator