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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:

Southeastern Teen Shakespeare Corporation

**ARTICLE II – PRINCIPAL OFFICE**

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

Southeastern Teen Shakespeare Corporation  
2299 Scenic Highway #K6  
Pensacola, FL 32503

**ARTICLE III – PURPOSE**

The Southeastern Teen Shakespeare Corporation is organized exclusively for charitable and educational purposes under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code. It will provide teenagers residing in the vicinity of Escambia County, Florida, and Santa Rosa County, Florida, with educational instruction and performance opportunities designed to lead to their significant growth as performing artists, as community members, and as human beings.

**ARTICLE IV – MANNER OF ELECTION**

The Board of Directors will be elected in the manner provided in the Bylaws. The officers of this corporation shall be chosen annually by the Board of Directors and shall serve at the pleasure of the Board, subject to the rights of any officer under any employment contract. The Board of Directors may appoint and authorize the President, or another officer to appoint any other officers that the corporation may require. Each appointed officer shall have the title and authority, hold office for the period, and perform the duties specified in the Bylaws or established by the Board.

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

The corporation's initial trustees and officers shall be comprised of the following persons:

President: Michelle Hancock  
2299 Scenic Highway #K6  
Pensacola, FL 32503

Vice President: Dianna Brustad  
8308 Onich Drive  
Navarre, FL 32566

Secretary: Mary Jane Bass  
Beggs & Lane RLLP  
501 Commendancia Street  
Pensacola, Florida 32502

Treasurer: Pamulia S. Nelson  
6412 Spruce Street  
Milton, FL 32570

**ARTICLE VI- EARNINGS AND ACTIVITIES OF THE CORPORATION**

The Corporation shall operate exclusively for charitable, scientific or educational purposes within the meaning of Section 501(c)(3) of the Code, in the course of which operation:

(i) No part of the net earnings of the Corporation shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to, its members, directors, officers, or other 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 herein.

(ii) 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 any candidate for public office except as authorized under the Code.

(iii) Notwithstanding any other provisions 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 Code or (b) by a corporation, contributions to which are deductible under Section 170(c)(2) of the Code.

The Corporation shall not, as its primary activity, engage in a regular business of a kind ordinarily carried on for profit.

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**ARTICLE VII - INITIAL REGISTERED OFFICE AND AGENT**

The name and street address of the initial registered agent of this Corporation is:

Mary Jane Bass  
Beggs & Lane RLLP  
501 Commendencia Street  
Pensacola, Florida 32502

**ARTICLE VIII - INCORPORATOR**

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

Mary Jane Bass  
Beggs & Lane RLLP  
501 Commendencia Street  
Pensacola, Florida 32502

**ARTICLE IX - DISPOSITION OF ASSETS UPON DISSOLUTION**

Upon the dissolution of the Southeastern Teen Shakespeare Corporation, residual assets 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, to benefit education and performing arts opportunities for teens in the vicinity of Escambia County, Florida, and Santa Rosa County, Florida. Any such residual assets not so disposed of shall be disposed of by a court of competent jurisdiction in the state of Florida, exclusively for charitable, scientific or educational purposes within the meaning Section 501(c)(3) of the Code as said court shall determine.

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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.*

Mary Jane Bass  
Signature/Registered Agent

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Date

Mary Jane Bass  
Signature/Incorporator

4/5/13  
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