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27 June 2013

Subject: Not for Profit Incorporation

Proposed Corporate Name: Preserve Our Paradise, Inc.

Enclosed is an original and one (1) copy of the Articles of Incorporation of Preserve Our Paradise, Inc. and a check for \$87.50, covering Filing Fee, Certified Copy, and Certificate.

FROM:

Donald Loritz
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PRESERVE OUR PARADISE, INC.

A Florida Not-for-profit Public Benefit Corporation

ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

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ARTICLE I NAME OF THE CORPORATION

1.01 Name.

The name of this corporation shall be Preserve Our Paradise, Inc. The business of the corporation may be conducted as Preserve Our Paradise, Inc.

ARTICLE II PRINCIPAL OFFICE

2.01 Physical Address

The physical address of the Corporation is:

3920 14 Avenue SE Naples, Florida 34117

2.02. Mailing Address

The mailing address of the Corporation is:

Preserve Our Paradise, Inc. 3920 14 Avenue SE Naples, Florida 34117

ARTICLE III PURPOSE

3.01 Purpose

Preserve Our Paradise, Inc. is a non-profit corporation and shall operate exclusively for educational and charitable purposes according to Florida law and within the meaning of Section 501 (c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

Preserve Our Paradise, Inc.'s purpose is to educate the public on issues affecting the preservation and protection of the environment, and particularly the environment of South and Southwest Florida.

Our programs include maintaining a website, http://preserveourparadise.org, maintaining a mailing list, organizing meetings, seminars, and public events, as well as generally informing the public on issues affecting the environment through press releases and advisory papers and media.

To maximize our effectiveness, we may seek to collaborate with other non-profit organizations which fall under the 501(c) (3) section of the internal revenue code and are operated exclusively for charitable purposes.

At times, per the discretion of the board of directors, we may support scientific study of environmental conditions by such other organizations, or directly conduct scientific study ourselves.

At times, per the discretion of the board of directors, we may provide internships or volunteer opportunities which will provide opportunities for involvement in said activities and programs in order to better inform the public and preserve and protect the environment.

At times, per the discretion of the board of directors, and in accordance with Rev. Rul. 80-278, 1980-2 C.B. 175, to preserve and protect the environment, we may institute or join litigation as a plaintiff or file *amicus* briefs.

3.02 Public Benefit

Preserve Our Paradise, Inc. is designated as a public benefit corporation.

ARTICLE IV MANNER OF ELECTION

4.01 Manner of Election

There shall be between three (3) and thirteen (13) Directors of the Corporation. Within these bounds, directors shall be added or removed from the board of directors by a majority vote of the current directors, according to procedures specified in the Bylaws of the Corporation. The initial officers and directors shall be those set forth in Article V, Sec. 5.02 of these Articles of Incorporation.

ARTICLE V INITIAL OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS

5.01 Governance

Preserve Our Paradise, Inc. shall be governed by its board of directors.

5.02 Initial Officers and Directors

Joe D. Mulé, President and Director 3920 14 Avenue SE Naples, Florida 34117

Donald Loritz, Vice-President and Director 3307 Twilight Lane, Unit 5003 Naples, Florida 34109 (USA)

Pamela Gharabally, Secretary and Director 663 106 Ave. North Naples, Florida 34108 (USA)

Jane Carroll, Treasurer and Director 3307 Twilight Lane, Unit 5003 Naples, Florida 34109 (USA)

Marianne Dwyer, Director 705 Crossfield Circle Naples, Florida 34104 (USA)

Paul Mosher, Director 4695 26 Ave SE Naples FL 34117 (USA)

ARTICLE VI INITIAL REGISTERED AGENT

6.01 Initial Registered Agent

The initial Registered Agent of the Corporation shall be:

Donald Loritz 3307 Twilight Lane, Unit 5003 Naples, FL 34109 (USA)

Telephone: 937.361.0774 E-mail: don.loritz@gmail.com

ARTICLE VII INCORPORATOR

7.01 Incorporator

The Incorporator of this corporation is:

Donald Loritz 3307 Twilight Lane, Unit 5003 Naples, FL 34109 (USA)

Telephone: 937.361.0774 E-mail: don.loritz@gmail.com

ARTICLE VIII DURATION

8.01 Duration

The period of duration of this corporation is perpetual.

ARTICLE IX NON-PROFIT NATURE

9.01 Non-profit Nature

Preserve Our Paradise, Inc. is organized exclusively for charitable and educational purposes including, for such purposes, the making of distributions to organizations that qualify as exempt organizations under section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

No part of the net earnings of Preserve Our Paradise, Inc. shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to its members, trustees, officers, or other private 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 in the purpose clause hereof.

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.

Notwithstanding any other provision of this document, the corporation shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on (a) by any organization exempt from federal income tax under section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code, 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 corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

Preserve Our Paradise, Inc. is not organized and shall not be operated for the private gain of any person. The property of the corporation is irrevocably dedicated to its educational and charitable purposes. No part of the directors, receipts, or net earnings of the corporation shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributed to any individual. The corporation may, however, pay reasonable compensation for services rendered, and make other payments and distributions consistent with these Articles.

4.02 Personal Liability

No officer or director of this corporation shall be personally liable for the debts or obligations of Preserve Our Paradise, Inc. of any nature whatsoever, nor shall any of the property or assets of the officers or directors be subject to the payment of the debts or obligations of this corporation.

4.03 Dissolution

Upon termination or dissolution of the Preserve Our Paradise, Inc., any assets lawfully available for distribution shall be distributed to one (1) or more qualifying organizations described in Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (or described in any corresponding provision of any successor statute) which organization or organizations have a charitable purpose which, at least generally, includes a purpose similar to the terminating or dissolving corporation. The organization to receive the assets of the Preserve Our Paradise, Inc. hereunder shall be selected by the discretion of a majority of the managing body of the Preserve Our Paradise, Inc. and if its members cannot so agree, then the recipient organization shall be selected pursuant to a verified petition in equity filed in a court of proper jurisdiction against the Preserve Our Paradise, Inc. by one (1) or more of its managing body which verified petition shall contain such statements as reasonably indicate the applicability of this section. The court upon a finding that this section is applicable shall select the qualifying organization or organizations to receive the assets to be distributed, giving preference if practicable to organizations located within the State of Florida.

In the event that the court shall find that this section is applicable but that there is no qualifying organization known to it which has a charitable purpose, which, at least generally, includes a purpose similar to this corporation, then the court shall direct the distribution of its assets lawfully available for distribution to the Treasurer of the State of Florida to be added to the general fund.

4.03 Prohibited Distributions

No part of the net earnings, properties of the directors of this corporation, on dissolution or otherwise, shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to, its members, directors, officers or other private person or individual, 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 in Article III, Section 3.01.

4.04 Restricted Activities

No substantial part of the corporation's activities shall be the carrying on of propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and the corporation shall not participate in, or intervene (including the publishing or distribution of statements) in any political campaign on behalf of or in opposition to any candidate for public office.

4.05 Prohibited Activities

Notwithstanding any other provision of these Articles, the corporation shall not carry on any activities not permitted to be carried on (I) by a corporation exempt from federal income tax as an organization described by Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code, or (II) 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.

ARTICLE X MEMBERSHIP

10.01 Membership

Preserve Our Paradise, Inc. shall have no members. The management of the affairs of the corporation shall be vested in a board of directors, as defined in Articles IV and V, *supra*, and the Corporation's bylaws.

ARTICLE XI **AMENDMENTS**

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7.01 Amendments

Any amendment to these Articles of Incorporation may be adopted by approval of two-thirds (2/3) of the board of directors.

Certificate of Adoption.

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.

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.